

# Germans Sink 11 Ships In North Sea

## MISS VARNEY'S COUNSEL PLEADS FOR ACQUITTAL

DROTHAM, Dec. 17.—"When the curtain rises on the second act of this drama, another face will be there, shouted counsel for the defense in summing up today in the trial of Harriet A. Varney, accused of having murdered the wife of the man she loved, Mrs. Pauline A. Keyes. Later coming to the part which the husband, George H. Keyes, had taken in the prosecution of his former companion, Attorney David P. O'Connell demanded to know why the state had taken the trouble to prosecute a woman who, God bless her, had been a good wife and mother."

The concluding plea added another unusual scene to an extraordinary case. Miss Varney had been intimately associated with the defense from the first, and she was friendly up to the time that her trial began. Then Keyes became the chief witness for the state and the defense made its greatest effort to show that the defendant had been wholly under his influence.

**Defendant in Tears**  
The defense claimed that Mrs. Keyes might have shot herself and that the note alleged to have been written by her was not shown to be in the handwriting of anyone else. The attorney asserted that the evidence that Miss Varney had possessed a revolver had been completely destroyed by the defense. He stated that the weapon was bought in Boston by a former employee of Keyes.

Mr. O'Connell spoke for nearly three hours. The greater part of the time the defendant was composed and followed closely apparently the argument. At times, however, when the lawyer spoke of her earlier life and the loneliness of her present life, she wept.

The attorney, referring to the anonymous note received by Keyes after his wife had been killed and which intimated that a woman had done the murder, said:

"Keyes was back at his old haunts on Massachusetts avenue. He received the letter there. It was there that he claims Miss Varney came and took possession of his bed and he slept on the couch."

Mr. Kingston, employed by the government, is an honest man. He said the same hand wrote that note which wrote the letters and postal cards Keyes sent to Miss Varney. That girl has been in jail since June 25. She was in jail when the letter was written, and you may be sure every letter that goes out of jail is carefully scrutinized."

"The nearest the state has placed Miss Varney to the scene of the murder was at the Huntington avenue station. After the murder or suicide she met Keyes and went to lunch with him. She ate and he did not. Who was nervous?"

After referring to Miss Varney's alleged attempt at suicide in New York after Keyes had refused to marry her, the attorney declared that she never knew he was married to Pauline A. Keyes.

Concluding his plea, Mr. O'Connell said:

"How could Harriet Varney kill Pauline Keyes if she never owned a revolver? The state assigns the motive as jealousy. Why should she be jealous? Motive, she had none. Opportunity none and she is entitled to protection."

Scott, J. Lawyer Ford, James H. Walker, Fred Austin, George Conway, James I. Kenney, James L. Donnelly, Charles L. Morse and Edward F. Saunders.

**6000 FROM FORT SLOCUM SENT TO AYER**  
AYER, Dec. 17.—Six thousand men from Fort Slocum, New York, where the influx of men enlisting in the quartermaster's corps has caused congestion, will be transferred to temporary housing at Camp Devens, it was announced here today. These men will be assigned to the depot brigade from which an equal number will be transferred to line companies.

Interest among men in camp today centered in a conference between army and railroad officials to determine the policy which will go into effect in granting Christmas leave. According to officers at headquarters indications were that less than twenty per cent would be granted leave, principally because the railroads would be unable to handle a greater number.

Mr. J. M. Vainwright, speaking for Brig. Gen. Weigel, announced that the Boston regiment would not go to that city tomorrow for three reasons. The first was that it would seriously interfere with their training schedule, the second that the railroads could not transport them and third that it would not be fair to men from other localities to allow the Boston men to go home on election day.

**CONG. JOHNSON ENLISTS AS PRIVATE IN ARMY**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Representative Royal C. Johnson of Aberdeen, S. D., enlisted today as a private in the Regular army and was assigned to Camp Meade. He has not resigned his seat in the house.

**Lowell Lodge of Elks**  
AND FRIENDS  
are invited to attend the  
"SMOKE TALK"  
and General Good Time at  
ELKS' HALL  
TOMORROW (Tuesday) EVENING  
December 18th, 1917.  
ELKS ORCHESTRA,  
James H. Buckley, leader.  
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED.

**Dancing**  
TONIGHT  
ASSOCIATE HALL  
LADIES 15c, GENTLEMEN 25c  
Miner-Doyle Orchestra  
A REASONABLE PLACE  
TO EAT  
FOX'S LUNCH ROOM  
TABLES FOR LADIES.  
19 BRIDGE ST.  
Next to Keith's Theatre.

## One British and Five Neutral Merchantmen, British Warship and 4 Mine Sweepers Sunk

LONDON, Dec. 17.—One British and five neutral merchantmen, a British destroyer and four mine sweepers have been sunk in the North Sea by German naval forces. The losses were the result of an attack on a convoy bound from Scotland to Norway, Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the admiralty, announced today. The total tonnage of the lost merchantmen was 8000.

### THREE MORE SHIPS SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Two neutral merchant vessels and a trawler were sunk off the Tyne on Dec. 12 by German destroyers, Thomas J. McNamara, financial secretary to the admiralty, announced in the house of commons today.

## Red Cross Nation Wide Drive for 15,000,000 Members Starts Today--The Program

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—The great American Red Cross drive starts today.

It is nation-wide and every city, town and hamlet is a Red Cross recruiting center.

Its goal is fifteen million members. Not money, but men and women are wanted.

No field service is required of these new members.

It is their enthusiasm, loyalty and backing that is desired.

The drive lasts eight days, closing on Christmas eve.

Nothing less than 15,000,000 new members will satisfy officials of Red Cross who planned this membership drive and who now are directing the eight-day campaign.

At least one member in every American home is hoped for, and in hundreds of thousands of homes whole families will be enlisted under the Red Cross banner.

This will mean more knitting for soldiers and sailors, more woolen socks, helmets and sweaters, more bandages and other hospital supplies. That spells more comfort for our fighting boys in training over here and in troops "over there."

Every local chapter has been instructed and prepared for this drive. Systematic canvasses of homes and business establishments will be made in the effort to obtain members. Public meetings will be held each day and evening in all cities.

Tuesday is civil employees' day. Mayors are asked to issue proclamations Monday in Red Cross Christmas ceremony day. At 7:30 on Christmas eve, during the drive.

United States Guards, National Army. Men who are beyond the draft age will be accepted for this branch and their homes in the vicinity of their work will be practically protected public utilities. They are enlisted for a period of emergency only. They are designed to take the place of the present State Guard members when the latter are enrolled in the federal service. Married men will be accepted and men who look part in the Spanish-American war or who have been members of organized police or fire departments are especially desirable.

The local army station enlisted a total of 141 men last week, and so far signed up.

Private John O'Neill of Ambulance Co. 302, Sanitary Train 201, of Camp Devens, was a visitor at the Sun office last Saturday afternoon. It was Private O'Neill's first visit to Lowell and he was very favorably impressed with the city. He comes from Hartford, Conn.

**CLOSE PLANTS TO SUPPLY HOMES WITH COAL**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Authority to shut down industries, if necessary, to supply house holders with coal, was granted by the fuel administration today to W. K. Prudden, federal fuel administrator for Michigan. Many Michigan cities are said to be almost entirely without supplies for domestic needs.

**VOTE ON PROHIBITION LATE TODAY**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The house vote on the federal prohibition amendment resolutions set for 6 o'clock today took the center of interest over war issues in congress today, with prohibition leaders confident of the two-thirds majority necessary for adoption.

As presented to the house the resolution requires ratification by three-fourths of the states within seven years while the draft approved by the senate last August fixes a time limit of six years for the state action.

Favorable house action today means the difference must be adjusted in conferences and the conference report

Wednesday is Women's day, on which special tribute will be paid to the work which women are doing in Red Cross. The house to house canvass will reach its height this day.

Thursday is school day, on which every teacher will explain to children the significance of the Red Cross.

Friday is employees' day, on which special tribute will be paid to the support which the laboring man is giving to Red Cross work. Large factories will be visited by member-getting crews of men and women.

Saturday is Boy Scouts' day, on which Boy Scouts will "go over the top" for Red Cross members.

Sunday is church day, on which Christmas sermons on the Red Cross will be preached in many churches.

Monday is Red Cross Christmas ceremony day. At 7:30 on Christmas eve, during the drive.

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adopted by both bodies before it is submitted to the states. There is indication that the smoothing out process can be completed before the Christmas adjournment tomorrow.

**ARMY ORDNANCE CONDITIONS**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Army ordnance conditions at the beginning of the present fiscal year are treated only briefly by Maj. Gen. Crozier, chief of the bureau, made public today. Since the report was written, he has furnished the senate military committee a much more complete record of what has been done to arm the forces in France or under training in the United States.

The report shows that up to June 30 orders had been placed for one million Enfield rifles. Details for the re-chambering of the British standard gun for American ammunition having been completed June 1.

On the machine gun situation, Gen. Crozier says that several types have been found efficient by the machine gun board but there has been a question of delivery.

"In other words," he adds, "the number of machine guns on hand when war was declared was so small that it was necessary to keep going at the greatest possible capacity those machine gun factories which were already in operation and to utilize their output when the guns so manufactured had been reported by the board as efficient, even though they may not have been reported as most efficient."

"Every energy has been bent to secure satisfactory output and considerable progress in this direction is being made."

It is shown in the report that all American field guns are to be similar in calibre to the French "seventy-five" which have been much discussed since the war began. The French semi-automatic breech mechanism has been adopted in modified form so that American and French batteries in France can be served from the same ammunition factories. Anti-aircraft guns of the "seventy-five" type have been adopted.

Both these and the machine guns are

## NEGOTIATIONS FOR RUSSO-GERMAN PEACE BEGUN

When the armistice agreement between the Russian government and the central powers goes into effect on the eastern front today the emissaries of the several countries will begin negotiations looking toward peace between Russia and her former enemies. Meanwhile it is indicated in London that the allied powers may be preparing to deal more sympathetically with the Bolshevik government.

**Peace Negotiations Begin**  
Berlin in its brief announcement of the signing of the convention, points out that under clause 9 peace negotiations are to begin immediately. The armistice is for 28 days and for an

under manufacture in quantity, the report says.

The report shows that 3.5 inch and six-inch howitzers, the guns principally used for barrage work in trench fighting were designed and ready for manufacture on June 30. Gen. Crozier expresses appreciation of the co-operation of French and British ordnance experts in turning out these guns.

The production of large calibre mobile artillery—that is, weapons of the type of the German forty-two centimetre guns—appears to be the chief source of delay in the army's equipment. Gen. Crozier says a process of supplying our troops with these guns "necessarily will be slow and disappointing, although every advantage has been taken of the assistance secured from abroad."

**LOWELL BOYS MEMBERS OF "SUICIDE CLUB"**  
Three Lowell boys have the distinction of being members of the first "Gas and Flame" battalion of the regular army of the United States.

This battalion was only recently organized and is designed to enable American forces to beat the Germans at their own game. The members of the battalion are being trained to use gas and flame weapons and other bombs which ignite and set a big blaze as soon as they touch anything solid. The work is considered very dangerous and none of the men were obliged to enlist. However, when 40 volunteers were called for, three Lowell boys were "there" and offered their services.

This line of work will enable them to go to France much sooner than they had at first anticipated. The three boys are Private Richard A. Grant, Stackpole street; John J. Marlowe, 543 Gorman street; and Arthur J. Lyons, 48 Prospect street. Here's a letter which they sent to Corp. Frank C. Cox of the local regular army recruiting station:

"Dear Sir: Just a few lines from three happy and contented Lowell boys. We three enlisted at your recruiting station Oct. 24, 1917, and went to Fort Slocum. We were there for about four weeks when there was a call issued for volunteers for the 'Gas and Flame' squad; 40 men were needed to fill up the two companies. So we jumped at the chance of going to France very soon and signed up for the 50th engineers' corps."

"We are known throughout this part of the country as the 'Hellfire regiment' and the 'Suicide club'. All we have to do is throw bombs filled with gas and other bombs which are made so that they start a fire as soon as they strike the ground. We have already started practicing in this way."

"We are the only Lowell boys in this outfit, but there are a lot of boys from Massachusetts in the two companies. We expect to start in service in France. This is a new line of work for the army and we are the first battalion."

"We are very hungry for news and we would like some magazines and papers sent to us. We will have to rise now as it is nearly time for retreat. We send our best wishes to all. Thanking you, we remain,  
Yours truly,  
"Private Richard Grant,  
"Private John Marlowe,  
"Private Arthur Lyons."

**BUSINESS transacted on Saturday last at Middlesex Trust Co., day and evening, in items handled, surpassed that of any single day's business ever transacted by a Lowell bank. Enlistment in the 1918 Thrift Club was urged on days of week prior to Saturday. Those who attempted to enter the bank Saturday evening can now appreciate the motive.**

Those who were turned away by the crowding were told or may know, that they may join this present week.

**THIS PRIVILEGE IS EXTENDED TO ALL THE MIDDLESEX USES ALL THE PEOPLE PRECISELY ALIKE.** Those who for any reason failed to reach the counter, may join any day the present week.

Again it is urged—DO NOT WAIT TILL SATURDAY NIGHT.

**Middlesex Co.**  
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**PATRICK A. HAYES**  
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## NEWS OF THE DAY IN THE POLICE COURT

George Judson, aged 27 years, a parole man from the Massachusetts reformatory, was arraigned before Judge Enright in police court this morning on a complaint charging him with drunkenness. He was also suspected of the larceny of a fur lined overcoat, with Persian lamb collar, and this morning, Kennedy E. Fuller, of 403 street, New York, arrived in Lowell and identified the coat which had been stolen from his summer home at Montville, Conn., several weeks ago.

Judson was committed to the reformatory after being found guilty of a serious crime, but recently was placed on parole. One week ago, Saturday night, he was endeavoring to dispose of a fur lined overcoat in a second hand clothing store in Middlesex street, when Special Officers Moore and Conroy and Patrolman Donovan came across him and sent

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## Suffrage and Prohibition Amendments to Constitution

Two amendments to the constitution are up for action by congress this week. One is the amendment to grant women the same right as men to vote on all questions, the other to prohibit the manufacture, sale and transportation of intoxicating liquors within the United States and also their import, export or from the United States. Both resolutions now before congress are as follows:

**SUFFRAGE RESOLUTION**  
Proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States conferring upon women the right of suffrage.

Resolved by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America (two-thirds of each house concurring therein), That the following article be proposed to the legislatures of the several states as an amendment to the constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by three-fourths of the said legislatures, shall be valid as part of said constitution:

"Sec. 1. The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex."

"Sec. 2. The congress shall have power, by appropriate legislation, to enforce the provisions of this article."

(To become operative this amendment must be ratified by the states provided for in the constitution within seven years after passage by congress.)

**PROHIBITION RESOLUTION**  
Proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States.

Resolved by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America (two-thirds of each house concurring therein), That the following amendment to the constitution be proposed to the legislatures of the several states, to become valid as part of the constitution when ratified by the legislatures of the several states as provided by the constitution:

"Sec. 1. After one year from the ratification of this article the manufacture, sale, or transportation of intoxicating liquors within the territory thereof into, or the exportation thereof from the United States and all territory subject to the jurisdiction thereof for beverage purposes is hereby prohibited."

"Sec. 2. The congress and the several states shall have concurrent power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation."

"Sec. 3. This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the constitution by the legislatures of the several states, as provided in the constitution, within seven years from the date of the submission hereof to the states by the congress."

**COUPON BONDS**  
OF  
CONVERTED FIRST LIBERTY LOAN  
READY FOR DELIVERY  
Lowell Institution  
for Savings  
18 SHATTUCK STREET.

## THE ELKS' CHRISTMAS CHARITY FUND

Lowell lodge of Elks will hold a smoke talk for members and friends tomorrow evening at the Elks' rooms in Middle street and an excellent program of entertainment has been arranged. In connection with the evening's affair a drawing contest has been arranged and the proceeds from this are to go to the Elks' Christmas charity fund.

Among the entertainers will be James H. Buckley, who will give a happy-go-lucky talk, and Joseph H. Donnelly, in Scotch numbers, "Tip" Handley, George Tyrrell, George Conway, James H. Walker and Joseph Haggerty.

The committee in charge is as follows: C. Frederick Gilmore, chairman; P. J. Farrell, sub-chairman; George A. Tyrrell, secretary; Frank Haggerty, treasurer; M. Y. Brown, exalted ruler; John J. Lee, P.E.R.; William H. Dawson, James H. Rolan, Joseph Haggerty, William H. Mahan, John H. Lath, John H. Cleary, Joseph Burns, Thomas F. Golden, John J. Healey, Sam

**THE "BLOOD AND IRON" POLICY**  
is important in peace as well as in war. Every man and woman who would be a winner and not a slacker should have the strength of iron in the blood.

This new iron tonic, Peptiron, combines this valuable metal in medicinal form so that it is easily digested and readily assimilated. Peptiron also includes peptin, nux, gelatin, and other tonics, so that it is a complete blood-building and curative tonic, a health-giving medicine in convenient pill form.

Take it for anemia or thin blood, weakness, nerve debility, brain-fag, one or two Peptiron after each meal will quickly tell a story of marvellous results. Get it today.

**Chalfoux's CORNER**  
HEADQUARTERS FOR GIFTS  
Not the most wonderful collection in the world, but certainly wonderful enough to make this store of a million gifts. Your own two clear-seeing eyes will tell you of the thousands of gift suggestions that are spread before you as you glance through the aisles and on the counters of this Christmas store.

The store is just a vast gift bazaar giving expression to the Yuletide spirit in terms of merchandise and deeds. It seems to have a supernatural gift that never stops putting back fresh goods as fast as others are sold out. Shop Earlier This Christmas.

**"TIME TO SAVE"**  
CITY INSTITUTION FOR SAVINGS  
69 Years  
NEVER PAID LESS THAN  
4%  
LOWELL, MASS.  
Interest Begins Jan. 12th

**Merrimack River Savings Bank**  
FORTY-SIX YEARS A REAL SAVINGS BANK.

# MEANS FOUND NOT GUILTY

CONCORD, N. C., Dec. 17.—Gaston B. Means was found not guilty here yesterday of the murder of Mrs. Maude A. King.

The jury received the case Saturday night, but after two hours of deliberation, announced that a verdict would not be returned until yesterday. Mrs. King, a wealthy widow, was killed at Blackwelder spring, a lonely spot in the country near here, on Aug. 23 last, when with Means and a party of his friends, she had stopped on an automobile drive to practice pistol shooting. She and Means were alone at the time, Capt. W. S. Bingham and Afton Means, a brother of Gaston, having walked down the road to shoot rabbits.

A coroner's inquest accepted the statement of Gaston Means that she shot herself accidentally. After her body was taken to Chicago for burial, however, the coroner's physician there declared that the wound in the back of the head could not have been self-inflicted. The investigation shifted to New York, where Mrs. King had resided for several years and where Means had handled her business affairs.

There a search of the apartments of Mrs. King and her sister, and those of Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Means, disclosed, according to New York officials, that Means had misappropriated the woman's money, and also that he was connected with German agents. Mrs. King had inherited approximately \$1,000,000 from her second husband, the late James C. King of Chicago, and during the trial New York and Chicago witnesses declared nearly all of this sum had "vanished" during the time Means was connected with the woman's affairs.

North Carolina officials reopened the investigation and at a hearing here last September Means was bound over to the grand jury and later indicted. At his trial, which began here Nov. 25, the state contended that Means had lured the woman's fortune and killed her to escape an accounting.

The defense contended the woman's death was accidental, that she stumbled, fractured her ankle, fell and fired the pistol.

A small crowd, which had been attracted by the reports that the jury had called for Judge Cline, was in court when the verdict was announced, but after court had adjourned Means was given an impromptu reception, relatives, friends and members of his counsel surrounding him to shake his hand and offer congratulations.

## LOMASNEY COMES OUT FOR PETERS

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Martin M. Lomasney, a leader in democratic politics, announced last night that he would support Andrew J. Peters for mayor in the city election Tuesday.

Mr. Lomasney is generally conceded to have a following of several thousand voters, but supporters of the other four candidates said that the contest this year was so bitter and complicated that they believed his stand would not affect them.

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Political prophets acknowledged themselves baffled yesterday in efforts to pick the winner of this city's mayoralty contest next



## Resinol would clear her skin

"She would be a pretty girl, if it wasn't for that pimply, blotchy complexion!" But the regular use of Resinol Soap, aided at first by a little Resinol Ointment, would probably make it clear, fresh and charming. If a poor skin is your handicap, begin using the Resinol treatment and see how quickly it improves.

Resinol Soap and Resinol Ointment are excellent, too, for the care of the hair, dispelling dandruff and keeping the hair lustrous. All druggists sell Resinol Soap and Resinol Ointment. The Resinol Treatment Company, Inc., is the only one that can give you the most scientific skin.

## K. OF C. COMMITTEE ON WAR ACTIVITIES

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 17.—That arrangements have been made with the American military authorities in France for social, recreational and religious work among the soldiers of the expeditionary forces, by the Knights of Columbus, representing the Catholic people of this country, is the word which the Knights of Columbus committee on war activities has received from Walter N. Kernan, who is representing the organization abroad.

Mr. Kernan will arrive in America in the near future to complete certain details of the work and to assist the services of a large number of field secretaries and auxiliary chaplains for foreign service.

Mr. Kernan went to France about two months ago, resigning as vice-president and general counsel of the New York state railways and Mohawk Valley company, to devote himself to the Knights of Columbus recreation work among Uncle Sam's fighting forces. He is a resident of Utica, N. Y., and New York City. En route to France he stopped in England where, such well-known English Catholics as Edward Byrne, head of the Catholic society; his son-in-law, Lord Camden and E. Vincent Waring, of the Catholic Encyclopedia, expressed themselves as being greatly interested in this Catholic social work.

"Our work abroad will probably exceed that which we are doing for the soldiers and sailors in this country," says Col. P. H. Callahan, chairman of the Knights of Columbus committee on war activities, "for it stands to reason that once the American soldiers are placed on foreign soil, there will be more need to surround them with proper recreational, social and religious facilities. Our budget of expenditures for the current year in this country will be considerably more than \$1,000,000 and it is bound to be much higher in Europe. However, we

expect to see our foreign work through to completion and will not stop at expenses." Eight Knights of Columbus chaplains are now serving in France and this number will be greatly increased. Knights of Columbus recreation buildings will be erected wherever they are needed for the convenience of the American troops abroad, and the work done on French soil will in every respect duplicate that which is being accomplished under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus in the encampments and cantonments of the United States.

expect to see our foreign work through to completion and will not stop at expenses."

"The evacuation of Calais would never be equivalent to the loss of such first class security. Moreover, the channel (tunnel) will become a fact after the war. For real security we should have, besides Flanders and Antwerp, Calais and Boulogne. The rumor in question is a screen behind which the question of Flanders might be permitted to disappear.

"The protest that we cannot coerce Great Britain and America fails to the ground when we consider the growing scarcity of the cargo space of our ruthless arch enemy. The time for final decision will come when real distress begins to take the place of merely threatening distress. That time will come. It is only a question of keeping cool."

## U-BOAT CAPTAIN HAD AMERICAN ACCENT

GLOUCESTER, Dec. 17.—Capt. Stephen Black of the throw-master schooner Blackie E. Righter, sunk by capture off the Spanish coast on October 18, has arrived at his home in this city and tells a thrilling story of his experiences with the German submarine.

Besides Capt. Black there were five other Gloucester men on the craft. They were Malcolm McDonald, Albert T. Young, John Grant, Alfred Rowe and Charles Blatchford, the latter being the cook. Capt. Dennis O'Neill of Boston was mate.

After being compelled to leave their craft the crew were exposed to the worst fate of Capt. Black's 25 years of sea experience. It seems impossible that the boat could have lived through it, he said last night.

"We were 62 hours in an open boat," he said, "the greater part of the time in a fearful rain and blinding snowstorm. We were sailing on a course east by south at about latitude 45 degrees 34 minutes, longitude 10 degrees 2 minutes on October 18, when our watch saw something suspicious off the port bow. We soon recognized it as a submarine with her periscope and part of conning tower out of water.

"I ordered the crew to claw down topsails and prepare to leave the vessel. The submarine came rapidly to the surface and came on starboard side of

our bow. When I saw submarine coming to surface I let the ship come to the wind so that I could lower the boat in safety, but before the vessel had come to the submarine had emerged sufficiently to use her guns and opened fire on us.

"The first shell hit the vessel forward of the mainmast and she fired 10 shots before we left the craft. We rowed a short distance from the vessel, while the submarine continued to shell our ship. She fired about 15 shots in all.

"The submarine came alongside our boat and the man who appeared to command spoke English with a pronounced American accent. He asked the name of the ship, cargo carried, name of master and vessel's papers. He then told us to go about our business, got underway, steamed toward the vessel and commenced firing again. The vessel sank in about an hour after the submarine was sighted.

"The wind increased in force so that we had to put out a drag. It then became a gale, so severe that it now seems impossible that the boat could have lived through it. At 4 p. m. on the 17th the gale abated and the weather became fine.

"We made sail and proceeded toward land, where we arrived on the morning of the 19th at Magul, Spain. Some of the men suffered considerably from exposure. We were treated finely by the people where we landed and all hands rapidly recuperated. We proceeded to Corruna on Oct. 21, where we remained for a month before embarking for New York."

The Righter was owned by the Shepard Morse Lumber company and was laden with lubricating oil for France.

NAME OF TAUNTON MAN ON LATEST CANADIAN CASUALTY LIST

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 17.—The latest Canadian overseas casualty list includes the name of T. Russell, Taunton, Mass., wounded.

The Sun is read daily in more homes in Lowell than any other newspaper.

THE SPIRIT OF THE RED CROSS!

To Care for the Wounded at the Front and the Folks at Home

To Carry On this Great Humanitarian Work

The American Red Cross Is Calling YOU

New England's Quota—One Million New Members by Christmas Eve. Will you be one? It costs only One Dollar to join and no other service is required.

When you join the great Red Cross your membership fee goes to help carry on the most far-reaching and effective work of mercy the world has ever known. Surely YOU do not want to withhold a dollar that will help lighten the hardships, guard the health and bind the wounds of "our boys over there."

The Christmas spirit and the Red Cross spirit have much in common. You can't keep Christmas more appropriately or more effectively this year than by keeping up the Red Cross. Pay your dollar TODAY. Wear the 1918 button. Watch for and take part in the Red Cross Christmas Eve ceremonies.

Send a Christmas Dollar on an Errand of Mercy

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6 Shopping Days Before CHRISTMAS

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Our assortment is wonderful and we are showing equally as good values as we showed last year, without any advance in prices.

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Every conceivable style in gowns is shown in our large Christmas collection. Made with beautiful embroidered yokes, fine laces, daintily trimmed with ribbons. Large assortment of styles at each price.

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Our assortment of combinations never has been as large or as attractive as now. Made from fine nainsook and convent cotton, trimmed with organdy inserts and lace insertion, also many styles in fine embroidery,

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We are prepared with probably the largest assortment of crepe de chine and society underwear ever shown in Lowell.

GOWNS. Priced \$8.98, \$4.98, \$5.98 up to \$9.98.

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SKIRTS. Priced \$3.98, \$4.98, \$5.98, up to \$11.98.

CAMISOLES, both plain and lace trimmed. Hundreds to choose from.

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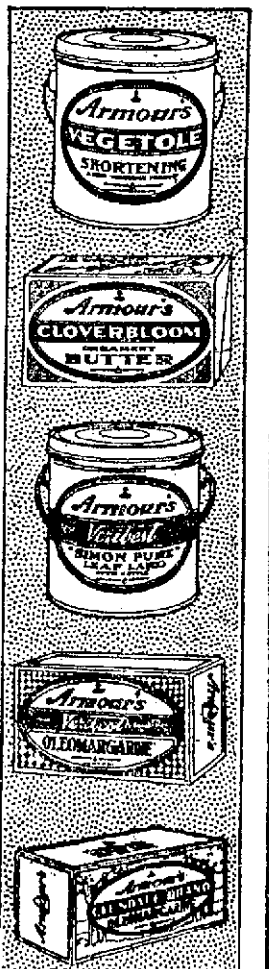
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# MYSTERIOUS PERMISSION USE RIOT GUNS IN RAID RESCUE WOMEN IN BED AT BRIDGEPORT AT EVERETT FIRE

CAMP DEVENS, Ayer, Dec. 17.—A telegram received at division headquarters yesterday from the war department stating that there is no objection in that department to granting permission to the Boston regiment to go to Boston next Tuesday, election day, to parade for the Civil and Spanish war veterans.

This was the first news that either headquarters or the regiment had of any parade of veterans in Boston on election day, and there was no information available last night as to whether Brig. Gen. William Welge, commanding the division will allow the regiment a day off from its military training.

The wording of the telegram was given to the press. It was stated, however, that in substance the telegram says that the Civil and Spanish war veterans wanted the 301st Infantry, "Boston's Own," to parade in Boston, Dec. 18, and that the war department had no objections provided there was no expense to the government involved.

Unofficial inquiries brought no news of a parade for Civil war veterans and only the news that there is a convention of the army of the Philippines scheduled to be held Tuesday night at the old Franklin schoolhouse on Washington street, South End.

Men Excited Over Election  
Camp Devens does know, however, that next Tuesday settles one of the hottest political campaigns Boston has ever known, and the 1700 Boston men of the 301st Infantry are excited over the possibility of being in on it.

Whenever permission was asked to have draftees leave camp to participate in the state election or in elections in other cities throughout Massachusetts it was always denied on the ground that the war department had ruled that no men should be given leave to go home to vote.

It is known also that appeals have come from Boston to this division asking that Boston men be allowed to come home to vote, and each request has met with refusal on the ground of the war department ruling.

The telegram from the adjutant general at the war department makes no mention of an election.

Officially it is simply a coincidence, apparently, that "Civil and Spanish war veterans" are planning a celebration Tuesday, Dec. 18, and would like to have Boston's Own on hand. Boston's Own does go down to Boston for a parade Tuesday, there is scant doubt but what the rookies will find time to hit themselves to ballot boxes.

Who Will Pay the Fare?  
There have been things enough to keep the coming election alive in the minds of the recruits of the 301st Infantry, beside the newspaper reports. Both Mayor Curley and Congressman Gallivan have paid visits to the regiment. The last two months, the mayor and congressman, and the president of the Boston flag, and Congressman Curley, have been paying a friendly visit to the 301st.

Now the big unsettled question among the rookies is as to whether the telegram from the war department means also that the division command will think it possible to dismiss the regiment from its drill and instruction for the day. There is also the question as to whether the railroad situation would make it possible to furnish special trains for the regiment several weeks ago by supporters of Mayor Curley, who brought nomination papers which were signed by soldiers.

BRIDGEPORT, Dec. 17.—A gun battle lasting three hours between police and frequent drunken negro club on Water street occurred yesterday resulting in the wounding of one policeman, two other white men and three negroes. Two are likely to die. William Thomas, 19, proprietor of the club, and 105 others are under arrest. Those injured include: George Harris, negro, shot in back, expected to die. Thomas McNamara, policeman, shot in thigh. William Greene, negro, shot in eye, will probably die.

The fight started shortly after 2. Virtually the whole police force was at one time engaged in the siege and the final battle took place near Supt. Redgate and a squad of patrolmen forced their way in the club room. Yesterday morning a white man made complaint to the police that he had been roughly handled at the Thomas quarters. The policemen summoned two others and attempted to enter the place. The door was slammed in their faces and shots fired through the door. Policeman McNamara was hit in the leg and the others sent in a call to headquarters for help.

The men inside barricaded the doors, opened the windows facing on Water street and threatened to shoot anyone approaching by that thoroughfare. The police tried to force their way into the building, but were met with a volley. The place was then surrounded, one detail of police taking station in a freight house across the way, from where they fired into the windows of the clubhouse with riot guns, thus stopping the negroes from shooting into the road.

At the rear of the building, many of those who had been inside tried to get away, but were caught by the police. When Supt. Redgate's squad reached the club room five men were found who surrendered only after they had emptied their revolvers.

Thomas, who had escaped to the cellar of the adjoining building, was overpowered and held without bail to await the outcome of the injuries of those shot in the melee.

Of the 106 under arrest, 12 are white men and 12 young white women, the rest being negro men and women.

REPORT OF DEATHS  
For the Week Ending Dec. 15, 1917.  
Dec. 5—David Welch, 54, traumatic cer. brain disease.  
6—Jeremiah McNamara, 44, cardiac-renal disease.  
7—Patrick Kennedy, 67, carcinoma.  
8—Hugh McLarny, 55, cardiac-renal disease.  
9—Della Toupin, 55, chr. nephritis.  
10—John McIntyre, 67, heart disease.  
11—Francisco Castellano, 41, intestinal obstruction.  
12—Thomas F. Clarke, 75, lob. pneumonia.  
13—Charles H. DeVan, 37, lob. pneumonia.  
14—Peter Ohlson, 72, chr. nephritis.  
15—Thomas E. Burke, 68, asthma.  
16—Ellen T. O'Connell, 51, chr. hemorrhage.  
17—Florence Leblanc, 1, broncho-pneumonia.  
18—Myrtle F. Gallagher, 3m, gastro-enteritis.  
19—Augusta A. Tshenas, 37, peritonitis.  
20—John P. Lynch, 85, comp. frac. of humerus.  
21—Frederick Lee, 76, intestinal obstruction.  
22—David Rivet, 78, broncho-pneumonia.  
23—Hattie S. Glover, 54, cancer.  
24—Isabelle Sutherland, 63, chr. hemorrhage.  
25—Emma Davis, 65, chr. hemorrhage.  
26—Thomas Manney, 45, typhoid fever.  
27—Anastasia Manios, 53, pulm. tuberculosis.  
28—William Conway, 40, intestinal obstruction.  
29—Thomas O'Loughlin, 30, endocarditis.  
30—Joseph P. Ryan, 32, por. anaemia.  
31—Rose Mello, 27, tub. peritonitis.  
32—Joseph A. Garvey, 3m, ac. gastro-enteritis.  
Stephen Flynn, City Clerk.

OLD TIME YULETIDE CAROLS WILL BE SUNG ON BOSTON COMMON  
BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Old time Yuletide carols will be sung by a large chorus of school children and members of choral societies on the Common on Christmas eve. The demonstration has been arranged partly to provide entertainment for soldiers and sailors now in the city, and army and navy bands will participate.

NO MORE APPLICATIONS FOR ENLISTMENT AS AERIAL OBSERVERS WILL BE RECEIVED  
BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Lieut. Lester Watson of the aeronautical division of the department of the northeast announced today that he had been notified by the war department that no further applications for enlistment as aerial observers would be received. Applications for the existing position will continue to be accepted from men more than 30 years old.

INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURNS  
At least 350,000 individuals residing in Massachusetts will be required, during the months of January and February, 1918, to make returns to their income for the year 1917 to the federal government. Every unmarried person who had an income of \$1000 or more during the year 1917, and every married individual living with wife or husband, who had an income of \$5000 or more for the year 1917, must make this return on or before March 1, 1918. Inasmuch as the great majority of people are not thoroughly acquainted with the requirements of the law as passed by congress on Oct. 3, 1917, this office is planning a campaign of publicity in order that they may become acquainted with the provisions of the law, and in addition plans to have, during the months of January and February, approximately 100 federal income tax experts stationed throughout the state in order that they may give advice and make out returns, without any cost to the taxpayer.

The public will be notified later of the dates upon which the income tax men will be in the different towns and cities throughout the state, and should avail their coming before attempting to make out their returns. The hours of these men will be so arranged that individuals who are employed throughout the day will be given an opportunity to consult them and make returns out under their supervision.

EVERETT, Dec. 17.—Two women confined to their beds were rescued yesterday afternoon during a fire in the three-story wooden dwelling house at 24 High street. The damage is estimated at \$2000.

The women were Mrs. Thomas P. Perke, who was saved from the first floor, and Mrs. John O. P. Davis on the second floor. They were taken respectively to the homes of Mrs. Catherine E. Peely and to Charles E. Ladd near by.

The fire had gained great headway before the fire apparatus arrived, despite the efforts of the occupants of the house to stop it by an improvised bucket brigade. It worked its way inside the walls of the house and huge billows of smoke rolled over the hill, attracting about 600 to the blaze. The fire started from an overheated furnace.

FRENCH PREMIER THREATENED TO QUIT IF CAILLAUX IMMUNITY WAS NOT WAIVED  
PARIS, Dec. 17.—Premier Clemenceau appeared today for the second time before the committee of deputies examining the Caillaux case and declared that if the former premier's immunity was not waived the government would not remain in power another hour. The committee then decided to waive parliament immunity. Nine of the 11 members voted favorably, while two refused to vote.

SWISS GOVERNMENT HAS RATIFIED AGREEMENT WITH UNITED STATES  
BERNE, Switzerland, Dec. 17.—The Swiss government has ratified an agreement with the United States by which the American government will furnish Switzerland 24,000 cars of wheat and 30,000 cars of other cereals, corn and sugar.

HENRY CLAY BARNABEE, "SHERIFF OF NOTTINGHAM" IN "ROBIN HOOD" IS DEAD  
BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Henry Clay Barnabee, familiar to thousands of playgoers as the "Sheriff of Nottingham" in de Koven's comic opera, "Robin Hood," died at his home in the Jamaica Plain district today after a long illness. He was 81 years old.

Mr. Barnabee was seriously injured by a fall a few months ago. For some time he hovered between life and death in a private hospital, but recently his condition improved and he was able to return to his home. Even during the suffering of his last days, the famous operatic comedian never lost the spirit of cheerfulness that marked his career on the stage. A newspaper reporter who interviewed him a few weeks ago found him in a jovial mood.

Sitting upright in bed, with his head thrown back and his eyes closed, Mr. Barnabee sang the rollicking song, "I am the Sheriff of Nottingham," with much of his old-time zest; the deep, sonorous tones echoing through the hospital.

The funeral service will be held here next Tuesday. Burial will be in Port-mouth, N. H.

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Always acceptable, we are fortunate in showing the most remarkable values in all styles.  
Mochas, in tan and gray, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.00  
Lined Kids and Mochas.....\$1.00 to \$2.50  
Wool Gloves and Mittens.....25c to \$1.00  
Fur Lined Gloves, in tan.....\$6.00

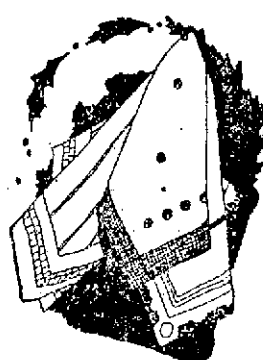
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Men's Lisle Hose, all colors... 25c and 35c  
Men's Silk Hose.....50c and \$1.00  
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Pajamas.....\$1.00 to \$3.00  
Underwear, all kinds...\$1.00 to \$3.00  
Union Suits.....\$1.00 to \$5.00  
Bath Robes.....\$3.50 to \$10.00  
Mufflers.....50c to \$5.00  
Shirts, new patterns, soft cuffs, extra value.....\$1.50 and \$2.00



SHIRTS

\$1.00 \$1.50 \$2.00 \$3.00 \$4.00

NECKWEAR.....50c to \$2.50  
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Fine Silk Cravats, smart designs, \$1.00 and \$1.50  
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Black Rubber Coats.....\$3.50  
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Scotch Tweed Suits....\$10.00  
Sweaters.....\$1.50 to \$6.00  
Neckwear.....25c to 50c  
Belts.....25c to 50c



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### 17 U. S. ENGINEERS ARE MISSING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Seventeen enlisted men of the United States Army Engineer corps were reported missing in action by Gen. Pershing in a dispatch yesterday to the war department.

They were missing Nov. 30, the day of the German turning movement at Cambrai, and are believed to have fallen into the hands of the Germans while fighting valiantly with the engineer contingent which distinguished itself helping the British to check the attack.

The missing men, with their emergency addresses, are: FRANK J. SWENSON, mother, Mrs. J. B. Swenson, New York city. CORP. FRANK UPTON, wife, Mrs. Jane Upton, New York city. GOLDMAN GOLDWEISSER, friend, Miss Rose Perlstein, New York city. GEORGE H. J. SEAMAN, mother, Mrs. Anna Seaman, Woodhaven, L. I., New York.

DALTON RANLEY, father, Daniel M. Ranley, Corona, N. Y. CHARLES A. GEOGHIGIAN, mother, Mrs. Michael Geoghigian, New York. HAROLD T. ANDREWS, uncle, Frank Bradford, Portland, Me. ALPHONSO J. MCGATH, relative, Timothy McGrath, Chestnut Hill, Mass. MYRON VAN DE MARK, mother, Mrs. A. H. Van de Mark, New Paltz, N. Y.

FRANK BROOKS, sister, Mrs. D. Warshinsky, New York city. MICHAEL J. MARY, father, John M. Mary, New York city. JOHN LALTY, father, Michael Lalty, Golden Bridge, N. Y. LEO J. LOVY, father, Thomas Lovoy, South Amboy, N. J. HARRY J. MASON, mother, Mrs. C. Mason, Jersey City, N. J. MICHAEL DINA, father, James Dina, New York city. PETER J. TINGO, mother, Mrs. Anthony Tingo, New York city. HERBERT P. BEY, mother, Mrs. A. Karl, Newark, N. J.

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# PRECINCT OFFICERS MAY NOT GET MORE THAN \$4 A DAY—THINK OF IT!

The precinct officers, who were on duty in the various polls of the city election day will not receive \$10 for their day's work as recommended by Commissioner Brown, but it may be that their pay will be increased from \$4 to \$7 or \$8.

A motion was passed at the last meeting of the council authorizing the commissioner of finance to pay the precinct officers \$10 for their last day's work, providing there was enough money in the election department fund, but after a tabulation of the figures, the city auditor found that it would be impossible to pay that amount, which would represent \$836, but there is enough money to increase the pay to two dollars. Final action will be taken at tomorrow's meeting of the municipal council.

## DEATHS

**BASSON**—Charles Basson, aged 32 years, died Saturday at the state infirmary in Tewksbury. He leaves one brother in Boston. The body was removed to the undertaking rooms of Undertakers Amedee Archambault & Sons.

**CARLE**—Blanche Carle, child of Alfred and Rebecca Carle, died Saturday at the home of her parents, 65 Putnam street, aged 8 months and 3 days. Burial took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in St. Joseph's cemetery. Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son in charge.

**ROCK**—George Rock, aged 1 month and 7 days, infant son of Simon and Philomena Rock, died Saturday night at the home of her parents, 23 Lillie avenue. Burial took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in St. Joseph's cemetery. Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son in charge.

**CHAPMAN**—Mrs. Abbie Reed Chapman, wife of George Herbert Chapman, died yesterday at her home, 1 Putnam avenue. She leaves, beside her husband, one son, George Herbert, Jr.

**McFARLAND**—Catherine McFarland died Saturday afternoon in St. John's hospital. She leaves her husband.

The man in the picture above is carving me out of wood.

Before I came to him I was nothing but a log of wood, cut from a tree. He saved me up, shaping my legs and head and body. Then he nailed me together.

It took him longer to make my head than all the rest of me, poking holes for nostrils and eyes.

When I got to the age where you

ready for the man who gives me my nice new coat of dapple gray and the lady who put my saddle and bridle on me.

The man who makes me doesn't do anything all year but carve out hobbyhorses like me for good little boys to ride.

(Continued Tomorrow.)

**FREDERICK McFarland**, and one son, Thomas Daniels. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertakers C. H. Molloy's Sons.

**CAVRIGAN**—Hugh Cavigan, a well known resident of Centralville, died on Saturday at the Lowell hospital. He leaves a wife, Elizabeth, one daughter, Mrs. Arthur Mason, and two grandchildren.

**MARTIN**—Gabriela Martin, aged 2 years, 9 months, died Saturday night at the home of her parents, Manuel and Maria Martin, 13 Midland street.

**CALANAN**—Died at the home of his parents, P. Frank and Mary Reagan Calanan, 180 Church street, William James Calanan, aged five months. Funeral notice later.

**THIBEAULT**—Cecile, aged one month, died today at the home of her parents, Donat and Bernadette Thibault, 61 Chestnut street. The body was removed to the funeral parlors of Undertakers C. H. Molloy's Sons.

**WOOD**—William H. Wood, Jr., aged 14 years and 11 months, died this morning at St. John's hospital. He leaves besides his parents, William H. and Katherine McEvoy Wood, two brothers, Richard and Robert and one sister, Irene. The body was removed to the home of his parents, 212 Westford street, by Undertakers Higgins brothers.

**GAVAGHAN**—Hugh Gavaghan, a well known resident of Centralville, died Saturday at the Lowell Corporation hospital. He leaves a wife, Elizabeth, one daughter, Mrs. Arthur Mason and two grandchildren. The body was taken to the chapel of James P. O'Donnell & Sons.

**GEORGE F. H. ROGERS**, Dec. 6, 1917.

His smiling face and kindly ways are pleasant to recall. He had a loving word for each and all and beloved by all.

Thus for our day he died, then let his name be blazoned on our patriot's scroll of fame.

A. C. M.

**FUNERALS**

**FAYTON**—The funeral services of Thomas Fayton took place at his home in Billerica Centre yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. William L. Walsh, pastor of the Unitarian church of Billerica Centre, officiating. The bearers were Messrs. Harry W. Essex, Clarence Bowman, Fred P. Pasho and William L. Pasho. Burial was in the family lot in the Fox Hill cemetery, where the burial service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Walsh. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young & Blake.

**MOTTS**—The funeral services of John S. Motts were held at the home of Undertaker George W. Hesley, 75 Branch street, yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Henry I. Bailey, pastor of the Highland M. E. church. The following named delegation represented Highland church, 370 Roy-

**DAVA**—The funeral of Frank Dava, who died in Medford, Mass., took place this morning on the arrival of the 8:45 o'clock train at the Northern station. Interment was in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the committal prayers were said at the grave by Rev. Fr. Mullin of St. Michael's church.

**CAVANAN**—The funeral of William James Cavanan, aged son of P. Frank Cavanan and Mary Regan Cavanan, will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 p. m. from the undertaking rooms of Calnan Bros., 180 South street. Burial will take place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery.

**CHAPMAN**—Died at her home, No. 1 Putnam avenue, Mrs. Abbie Reed Chapman, wife of Herbert Chapman. She leaves, beside her husband, one son, George Herbert Chapman, Jr. Funeral services Wednesday, Dec. 19, at 2 o'clock from her home, No. 1 Putnam avenue. Friends invited, whether further notice.

Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

**GAVAGHAN**—The funeral of Hugh Gavaghan will take place on Tuesday afternoon from the chapel of James P. O'Donnell & Sons, 130 South street, at 2 o'clock.

Funeral in the Lowell cemetery in charge of Undertakers James P. O'Donnell & Sons.

**McFARLAND**—The funeral of Catherine McFarland will take place Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the funeral parlors of C. H. Molloy's Sons. High mass of requiem at St. Patrick's church at 4 o'clock. Burial will be in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers C. H. Molloy's Sons in charge.

**THIBEAULT**—The funeral of Cecile Thibault will take place Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of her parents, Donat and Bernadette Thibault, 61 Chestnut street. The body will be taken to the funeral parlors of Undertakers C. H. Molloy's Sons in charge.

**WOOD**—The funeral of William H. Wood, Jr., will take place Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock from the home of his parents, William H. and Katherine McEvoy Wood, 212 Westford street. The funeral mass will be celebrated at St. Patrick's church at 4 o'clock. Burial will take place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Funeral under the direction of Higgins Bros., undertakers.

**CHRISTOPoulos**—The funeral of Nikolaos Christophoulos took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the rooms of Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son in Alken street. Services were held at the Holy Trinity church in Lewis street and burial took place in the Edison cemetery. There was a delegation from the First Baptist Methodist church. The bearers were Messrs. William and Sam Willis, Fred Russell and Thomas Mullen. Burial was in the family lot in the Edison cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. N. W. Matthews. The funeral arrangements were in charge of Undertaker Hiram C. Brown.

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**MURPHY**—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen J. Murphy took place this morning at 8 o'clock from her late home, 163 Central street, and was largely attended by friends. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was said by Rev. Fr. Mullin. There were many large and beautiful tributes and spiritual offerings. The bearers were Eugene Robitaille, Jeremiah White, Charles R. Quinn and James McEvoy. Burial took place in St. Patrick's cemetery, where the final prayers were read by Rev. Fr. Linahan. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

**SAINTS**—The funeral of Joseph Santos took place Saturday afternoon from the home of his parents, Joseph and Sophia Santos, 13 Elm street. The funeral proceeded to St. Anthony's church, where services were held. Rev. John Perry officiating. Burial took place in St. Patrick's cemetery. Undertakers M. H. McDonough Sons in charge.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We desire to express our sincere thanks to relatives and friends; also the employees of the Lawrence & Co. Undertaking firm for their kind acts and words of sympathy which helped to lighten the burden of sorrow in our recent bereavement. We also wish to thank them for their floral and spiritual offerings.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin F. Kennedy and Family.

**SUN BREVITIES**

Best Printing, Tobin's. Asso. Bldg.

Hutchins Rubber Store, 214 Merrimack st., opp. St. Anne's church.

A telephone alarm at 8:55 o'clock this morning summoned the protective and fire departments to the Edison and Waples streets. The blaze was extinguished before much damage was done.

Mrs. Charles A. Stevens of this city received a cablegram yesterday from her husband, Maj. Charles A. Stevens, who is now in France, saying that the congressman John Jacob Rogers was with him. The cablegram was dated Saturday.

Frank J. McKenna, son of John McKenna of 125 Alken avenue, has enlisted as a draftsman in the U. S. Aviation corps, and left last Friday for Fort Schuyl, Pa. He is a graduate of the Lowell high school and Wentworth institution, Boston.

At 12:25 o'clock this afternoon the members of Engine 2 were called to 80 Walker street, but upon arriving the only fire that could be found was in a stove. Owing to a defect of Central and Lowell street the house and word was telephoned to the central fire station.

Stazephia Montreaux, residing in Lakeview avenue, was struck by a falling milk pail while at work at the Appleton mill shortly before 7 o'clock this morning and suffered injuries about the head and arms. The ambulance was summoned and she was removed to the Lowell Corporation hospital.

Persons who have occasion to visit the Red Cross headquarters in Market street in automobiles, are asked to call from their purchases in Market street and not within the yard of the Higdon-Hartford plant, as has been the custom hitherto. The congregation in the yard due to the installation of new machinery in the mill is the reason for the request.

Arthur J. Druppello, formerly with the Merrimack Clothing Company and later with the Lawrence-Bowdoin company in Central street, has accepted a position as salesman with the Richards Clothing shop in Central street, and started in on his new duties today. Mr. Druppello has had abundant experience in the clothing business and will no doubt prove a valuable addition to Manager Schoenhart's staff in Lowell's new clothing store.

When the coat was examined the name of the maker was found on a tag and one of the inner pockets and the local police communicated with the tailors and learned that the garment, valued at about \$150, had been sold to Mr. Fullerton. Mr. Fullerton was subsequently notified and yesterday he said the local police that he would be in Lowell this morning.

Mr. Fullerton appeared in court on time and after identifying the coat as belonging to him, said that his summer home in Montville, Conn., has been broken into recently and a number of articles, including the overcoat, had been stolen. He said that he was of the opinion that the coat was one of the articles in the break, one of the men who is still at large, being familiar with the premises.

Inasmuch as the only complaint against Fullerton was that of petty larceny, he was found guilty and held under \$200 bonds for his appearance in court tomorrow morning. In the meantime the officials at the reformatory will be notified and in all probability he will be returned to that institution.

**Some Come Petty**

Sergeants Pettie and Dineen, Officers Moore, Conner, O'Donnell, Keenan and P. R. Riley visited a building in Merrimack street, near city hall, shortly before 7 o'clock yesterday morning and broke up an interesting gambling party in which petty larceny was being committed. The party was called and several traps were made between the building and the street. There were sixteen persons concerned and had been brought to the station.

The place had been under suspicion for several weeks, but owing to the fact that the outlooks were on the job, it was difficult to find any evidence of gambling on previous visits. The curtains on the window were down and there was cellophane against the outside of the building.

There was considerable consternation among the gamblers when the police forced their way in and during the twenty three minutes followed by gathering in of the members of the party, a loaded revolver and a pair of brass knuckles were found on the floor.

Annulation Pefes was booked for maintaining a gambling nuisance and after entering a plea of guilty was ordered to pay a fine of \$10. The

following people, who were charged with being present at a game, were fined \$4 each:

James R. Ludlow, Geo. Andrus, John Syre, Andrew, James Petre, Thomas Kossaris, George Kerpas, John Pappas, Harry Plumas, Peter Pappas, Louis Pantis, Panta Thuo, George Brutsen, Apostolos Philip, Nicholas Kordis, William Magnus, Vain Pappas, Christos Zogkos, William Asimopoulos, Nicholas Costas, Costas Pappas, Peter Janos, James Poulos, James R. Louis, Louis Pepper, Theodoros Targis, Paul Gulos, George Gonas, George Pintos, Nicholas Petroulas, Demitrios Gargulos, Theodoros Boucaras, Costas Pappas, Pantias Lari, Nicholas Kordis, Pantias Antonis, John Iabellis, Vasilios Michalopoulos, Peter Poulos, Louis Manos, Costas Kostalos.

**Making Bad Matter Worse**

Edward Belanger, who was serving a three years' sentence at the Lowell jail, having been committed there on Jan. 15 of this year, took "French leave" from the jail last Thursday. He had been working in the bakery shop of the institution but, owing to the intense heat, he was given the freedom of the yard for a short time, and soon made his way over the stone wall in the back street and escaped. The matter was reported to the local police and Saturday night Belanger was arrested by Patrolmen Cossette, Clark, McCann and Ryman. The prisoner told up a battery of lies, claiming that he was on parole and that he had been released from the institution but, owing to the intense heat, he was given the freedom of the yard for a short time, and soon made his way over the stone wall in the back street and escaped. The matter was reported to the local police and Saturday night Belanger was arrested by Patrolmen Cossette, Clark, McCann and Ryman. 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# "PRESIDENT WILSON'S MESSAGE

To the Tournament of Roses Association, Pasadena, Cal., makes clear that he believes it would be a disastrous, a fatal mistake, to spread a pall of dejection and stagnation over the land because of the war. In other words, the President believes that the normal life of the country should be continued in every way possible. Moreover, the President's message indicates that he feels that Americans would not be manifesting the right kind of loyalty to the gallant boys under arms should the people at home go about in sackcloth and ashes, with long, dour faces. Were it done, it would react upon the boys at the front and in camps. It would depress and discourage them. Pessimism and gloom are infectious. So are cheerfulness and philosophic acceptance of a big burden and a dangerous duty. Note how the mother sends her boy away to war. She smiles encouragement to him through her tears. That enheartens him. Back of these boys should be a determined, an earnest, a loyal and appreciative, but withal a smiling, active people. That will instill courage into the heart of the soldiers."—(From an editorial in a paper in Pasadena, Cal.)

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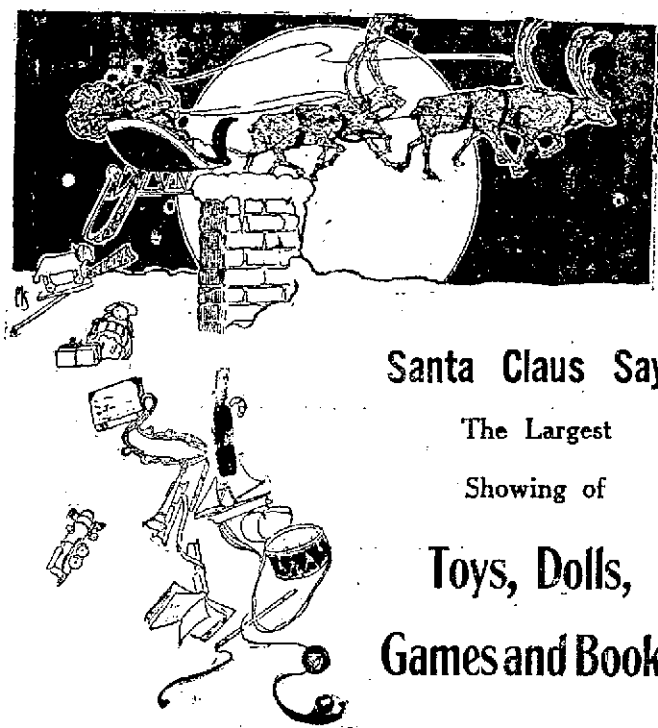
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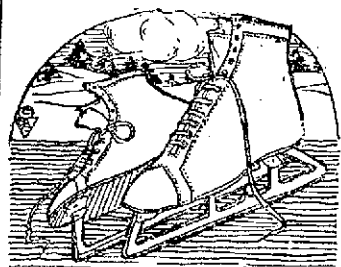
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Men's Silk Scarfs for.....\$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50  
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Men's Silk Suspenders for.....\$1.00  
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Men's Army Set, Wool Scarf, Wrists and Tights for.....\$1.49  
Men's Jersey Sweaters for.....\$1.50 and \$2.00  
Men's Jersey Coats Sweaters for \$5  
Men's Kid Gloves for.....\$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00  
Men's Mocha Gloves.....\$2.00 and \$3.00  
Men's Buck Gloves for.....\$3.00  
Men's Squirrel Lined Gloves.....\$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00  
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Women's Gauntlet Gloves, all colors.....\$2.50 and \$3  
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Women's Wool Lining Gray Mocha Gloves.....\$2.50  
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Women's Double Silk Gloves in Black and Gray.....\$1.50  
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Women's Taffeta Silk Umbrellas.....\$2, \$2.50 and \$3  
Women's Gloria Silk Umbrellas.....\$1.50 and \$2  
Children's Umbrellas.....\$1  
Women's Umbrellas.....\$1 and \$1.25  
Women's Silk Hose.....\$1.15, \$1.60  
Women's Fibre Silk Hose.....25c, 35c, 50c and 75c  
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IF PEOPLE WOULD ONLY STOP TO THINK, EVERYBODY WOULD SHOP EARLIER FOR CHRISTMAS

A week ago last Saturday evening the storm drove nearly everybody home. The stores were almost deserted after eight o'clock. Thousands of people who had planned to do their Christmas shopping on that evening were disappointed and obliged to postpone.

So—You never can tell what's going to happen that will change your plans. This is one reason why you should shop earlier for this Christmas. Shop in the morning if you can and shop early this week. Some people may be obliged to postpone their shopping until the last two or three days before Christmas. And we are mortifying our forces to take care of them.

You, who can do so, are urgently requested to shop early this week. We make this request in the interest of our employees as well as the interest of our customers.

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## PROBING THE WAR DEPARTMENT

It is to be hoped that this congressional investigation of the management of the war will not take on the appearance of an effort to expose defects and weaknesses. That would be criminal.

This is no time for cavilling criticism nor for raking up details of mistakes or blunders to be used in political campaigns hereafter.

The republicans in congress have tried hard to get a committee to control war expenditures. Such a committee would prove a stumbling block to the progress of the war, inasmuch as while the president is the responsible head and while he acts only after consultation with his cabinet, yet the action of the president and cabinet combined would be blocked and nullified by a committee on control of expenditures. The situation under such an arrangement would parallel that which would exist in England if the king exercised his prerogative to declare war and if parliament should refuse to vote the money necessary to carry on the war.

In order to conduct the war with the freedom which alone can bring success, it is necessary to give President Wilson a free hand and to avoid hampering him or the departments by the petty fault-finding of officious congressmen.

The congressional committee of congress is within its functions in investigating the management of the war but it should not give foreigners any opportunity to learn our military secrets, to get an inside knowledge of our weak points in organization, training, equipment, or anything else.

It may be accepted as a certainty that if the merest hint of any weakness in our armor is made public, the information will go direct to Germany, supplemented by much that is not public. The spies in this country can be relied upon for that. For this reason the committee on military affairs which is conducting the investigation should exercise judicious caution in allowing criticism of any military operation to be made public.

Already it appears that to a great extent the inquiry is conducted openly just as if nobody but ourselves paid any attention to the information elicited. But remember still "a German" chief among us takin' notes, and if he does not print them, he will send them to the Kaiser.

## CHECK INFANT MORTALITY

With all the appeals that are being made for war purposes, some of our most urgent needs at home are being neglected. One of these is the imperative necessity of doing something to lower the high rate of infant mortality.

Out of 46 leading cities in this country, Lowell has the highest infant mortality in the last week's calculation. Of course, the rate fluctuates and some other city may lead in the next calculation, but the fact is clear from the average death rate among children under five years of age, for several months, that the rate is abnormally high. Yet we hear of no epidemic and nothing unusual in the line of contagious diseases. The cause then must be sought elsewhere. It may be in part in the ignorance of young mothers, the carelessness of others and the neglect of working mothers to see that their infant children get the proper care and feeding.

At present the scarcity of sugar is causing illness among the bottle-fed babies of Lowell. There should be some means by which the parents of young children shall have preference in the purchase of sugar when the supply is short in the stores. The city health authorities it seems, should be able to solve this problem.

## LLOYD GEORGE'S SPEECH

Again has Premier Lloyd George cleared away the murky air of pessimism and the fetid miasma of Lansdowne's slough of despond. He has shown that the defeat of Germany is the only thing that will save the empire and indeed the rest of the world from German domination; and he has shown also that Germany cannot be beaten without complete co-ordination of the allied forces on land and sea.

It is to be hoped that this new exposition of the situation by the premier will silence the pacifists, the pessimists and above all the "Tory element" that would apparently welcome a peace that would leave England at the mercy of the Kaiser.

Where would England be today but for the safe guidance and courage of Lloyd George?

## TINKHAM'S EXPLOITS

Congressman Tinkham has a keen eye for self advertising. His feat of firing the first gun against the Austrians may be taken as a promise of American aid to come, but incidentally it will give Mr. Tinkham a little advertising with his constituents. His escapade in being cast from a mountain pass over a precipice in an auto should count for much among the home folks.

Our townsman, Hon. John Jacob Rogers, is not making much noise in Europe but we venture to predict that he will return with a budget of information that will be of real benefit to the government.

## REVERSING OUR POLICY

We are reversing our policy in regard to the trusts. The Webb bill to

heels. Bravo, Cubal. Now send along your army.

## LIGHTLESS NIGHTS

Lightless nights may be ordered by the fuel administration. This would result in the shutting down of our White Way. We would miss it, of course, but if the exigencies of the war require that we shall get along without it then we will do so cheerfully. For the present, however, the White Way is secure.

## LOOKING BOTH WAYS

Bulgaria declares her friendship for the United States, although still the loyal ally of Germany, paradoxical as it may seem.

It was seven years ago today that Dorothy Arnold disappeared, leaving behind her a mystery that has never been solved. Her father, Francis H. Arnold, an importer of perfumes, has spent a fortune searching for her. Hundreds of "clues" have been worked on without result. She was 25 and a graduate of Bryn Mawr college. Holyoke Transcript.

Nearly every city has tragic recollections of this kind—of young girls or boys who disappeared and were never heard from despite all efforts to find them. The chief event of this kind in the memory of Lowell residents was the disappearance of the Dent boy, some fifteen years ago. No trace of him has ever been found.

More than ever this year should Christmas presents be chosen with a view to real utility. Otherwise the expense is money wasted.

## SEEN AND HEARD

Fletcher street cars are scarcer than sugar, and that's going some.

People who are crippled in the head get less sympathy than other cripples.

Let us give thanks for ability, for work, for our friends—and say nothing about our ability to work our friends.

## With Strikers on Parade

A little girl and her mother walking along Broadway, New York, met a group of striking "child" restaurant employees parading up and down their coats and coat sleeves decorated with large pastebard signs. The little girl gazed at them in amazement.

"What's the matter with these men, mamma?" she asked shrilly. "Nothing, dear. They've stopped working, and they want everybody to know it."

"And what does it say on those signs, mamma?" "Former Childs' employees," read the mother.

"Well, but, mamma," she pined, "why are they so awful proud of it?"

## Wou the Clairs

The subject of rifle shooting often cropped up at one of the training camps. "I'll bet anyone here a box of cigars," said Lieut. A. "that I can fire 20 shots at 200 yards and tell without waiting for the marker the result of each one correctly."

"Done," said Major B. And the whole mess turned out early the next morn-

## Let Us Help

## KNIVES

Pocket and kitchen—pearl, plain and Taney handles.

## SHEARS

That are made by Wiss, which means they are good.

## CARVING SETS

A variety of designs to choose from, at prices that are pleasing.

## LUNCH BOXES

With Vacuum Bottle. Very handy in hot or cold weather.

## FLASH LIGHTS

Nothing handier or more acceptable. Candles, pocket sizes. Plain and fancy.

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Common razors and safety varieties. Brushes, soap, strop and hones.

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The flexible kind that save wear on shoes and rubbers.

## AND MANY OTHERS

Authorized Agents for the Sale of Government Savings Stamps.

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ing to witness the experiment.

The lieutenant fired. "Miss," he announced calmly.

Another shot. "Miss," he repeated.

A third shot. "Miss!"

"Here, hold on," put in Major B. "What are you trying to do? You're not firing for the target."

"Of course not," was the cool response. "I'm firing for those cigars!" And he got them.

Poets in Olive Drab

Until edged out of print by more important subjects, like changing the map of Europe and the doorplate of the Petrograd palace, the authorship of Shakespeare's plays was a constant source of interest to those who like a rasber of Bacon with their literature.

There appeared only one claimant for Shakespeare's stuff, however, hence the learned controversy is more "small stuff" compared with the puzzle that is just now wringing the foreheads of some of the chaps who pass judgment on newspaper copy.

Out of the flood of publicity which followed the declaration of war and the draft, there floated on the top a four-reel "feature poem" entitled "Only a Volunteer" that appears to have seeped right through the skin of the

boys who preferred to go voluntarily rather than await the draft.

Nearly every newspaper in the country has printed it—not particularly because of its merit but because of local associations. Always it was the story of a lad in olive drab, reading of the farwells and banquets to the draftees and saddened because his own departure was less auspicious, who sat down and dashed it off on Red Triangle paper. Not less than a dozen copies have come to the Enterprise, each signed by a different author. The experience of other newspapers has been somewhat similar.—Brockton Enterprise.

## Why Lobsters Are Illik

Patrons of big city restaurants might not see any connection between the high price of spruce lumber and a scarcity of lobsters, with resultant advanced values, but there is a very intimate and substantial relation between the two, according to a story from Bangor, Me.

Years ago, when, although perhaps there were no more lobsters in the sea than now, fewer people ate the shell fish, spruce lumber was selling at \$16 to \$20 per thousand. Lobster traps and pounds are made of spruce, joists, boards and bats. Also, years ago Manila hemp rigging was selling at about half the present prices. Lobstermen use a lot of that, and, furthermore, and perhaps most important of all, gasoline is very expensive now. Lobstermen go about in these times in motorboats. Instead of rowing dories to and from their traps, and the motors must be fed.

All these things make lobstering expensive, and for that reason, with plenty of good paying jobs in other lines waiting for them, hundreds of Maine men who have spent years in rearing the "makings" of broiled lives from the deep will abandon the business until prices of materials are down again. Thus far this season 3193 lobstermen have applied to the sea and shore fisheries commissioner for licenses, or 700 fewer than usual. So there will be a shortage in the lobster crop in Maine.

## Logic

Said the pacifist, "The government is rotten."

It never should have gotten us in the war.

The conflict by the Pfunderband's be-

And it's Rockefeller we are fighting for;

The Germans are a very noble nation

Who are native land is nothing but a joke.

And it tries to stop free speech of the nature that I preach.

And it's thus our freedom vanishes in smoke."

"I demand the right to bellow as I choose to."

I object to any fetters on my tongue.

When they ask me to be careful I refuse to.

While I've got a mouth to shout with

—and a lung."

But a patriotic editor who heard him

Called the pacifist a traitor and a slob.

Whereupon the speaker claimed that he

had slurred him.

And he put the libel statute on the job.

For he found the free speech license he

Wasn't pleasant when it turned

against himself.

When somebody else abused him, why,

he wanted

To have all his injured feelings

healed with pelf.

For it wasn't really free speech he de-

manded.

But the right to howl at everyone

with vim;

While he bellowed out for justice,

heavy handed,

When some other person howled a

bit at him! —Berton Braley.

## CONSCRIPTION THE MAIN ISSUE IN CANADA

OTTAWA, Dec. 17.—With selective conscription as the great issue, the voters of Canada will decide today whether the new Union government of Sir Robert Borden shall remain in office or whether Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the veteran leader of the Liberal opposition, shall be restored to power.

The campaign which has just ended is considered the most important, as well as the most bitterly contested, in the history of the dominion.

There are approximately 2,000,000 BROWN BRIDLE BULL DOGS lost with white breast and paws; answers to name of Dick. Owner's name and 451 Broadway on collar. Return to 65 Branch st. and receive reward.

4-TENEMENT HOUSE for sale; rent for \$2 a month or \$500 a year; price \$1500. Also 2-tenement house 6 rooms to each tenement; bath and gas. Price \$2200. James H. Boyle, 64 Central st.

THE PERSON who took overcoat by mistake Saturday evening at Associate hall, would please return it to the owner, 77 White st. Name inside pocket.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To all persons interested in the estate of Sidney J. Lyon, late of Pelham in the County of Hillsborough and State of New Hampshire, deceased, or in the personal property hereinafter described, and to the Tax Commissioner for said Commonwealth.

Whereas, Annie B. Lyon, appointed executrix of the will of said deceased by the Probate Court for the County of Hillsborough, in the State of New Hampshire, has presented to said Court her petition representing that as such executrix she is entitled to certain personal property situated in said Commonwealth, to wit:

Deposit in The Central Savings Bank, Mechanics Savings Bank and The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank, all in said County of Middlesex, and that she desires to be licensed to receive or to sell by public or private sale on such terms and to such person or persons as she shall think fit—or otherwise to dispose of, and to transfer and convey such estate.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the second day of January A. D. 1918, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petition is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks, in the Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be on or before the day before said Court, and by delivering a copy of said citation to the Tax Commissioner for said Commonwealth fourteen days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McBurne, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of December 1917, at one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

E. M. ESTY, Register.

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## Girls Wanted

Girls over 16 years of age wanted for clean, light work. Apply, Employment Office, at 7:30 Tuesday morning. Newton Mfg. Co.

3-TON TRUCK wanted; light make and lowest price. Address P-62, Sun Office.



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Holeproof Cotton Half Hose, medi-

um and light weight in black, tan, navy and gray. 35c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$1.75

Holeproof Luxite Half Hose, looks

like silk, in black, white, navy and pearl. 35c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$1.75

Silk-Lisle Thread Seamless Half

Hose, mercerized—white, pearl, navy and black. 35c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$2.00

Shawknit Mercerized Lisle-Thread

Half Hose, black, navy, tan and white. 35c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$2.00

Black Cashmere Half Hose, hole-

proof, reinforced heels and toes. 40c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$2.10

Holeproof Black Cashmere Half

Hose, super quality, reinforced heels and toes. 50c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$2.75

Fibre Silk Half Hose, seamless,

elastic tops. 29c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$1.50

Pure Silk Seamless Half Hose,

double heels and toes, black, white, navy and pearl. 60c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$3.30

Onyx Silk Half Hose, full fash-

ioned, four thread heels and toes, black. \$1.00 a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$5.40

Pure Thread Silk Half Hose, full

fashioned, none finer shown. \$1.50 a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$7.80

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## TO BREAK NEW YORK'S COAL FAMINE

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—New York's coal famine will be broken in a few days, unless weather conditions interfere, fuel administrators and railroad officials declared today. Reeve Schley, fuel administrator said that the crisis already had been passed with the arrival here yesterday of 20,000 tons. Before night, he said, he expected that 25,000 tons more would be received by barges from New Jersey. In addition 50,000 tons were at tide-water, he added, and the only problem was that of transportation. The difficulty in getting labor to handle the coal from terminals has been largely overcome.

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## FORMER N. Y. GIRL CASTORIA

AIDS WAR RELIEF

Lady Arthur Paget who, before her marriage, was Miss Mary Stevens of



LADY ARTHUR PAGET.

New York, is one of the many American women in England who are leaders in war relief work.

**RED CROSS DRIVE**  
Continued

Candles will be placed behind Red Cross service flags in every home. Workers will carry through the streets and church bells will chime.

Red Cross service flags and buttons will be distributed.

Theodore N. Vail, head of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co., New York, is chairman of the national membership campaign committee. He is assisted by many noted Americans including Cardinal Gibbons, Dr. Henry van Dyke, Mrs. William G. McArdle and Mrs. Finley J. Shepard.

The membership fee is \$1. For an added dollar the Red Cross magazine is secured.

## RED CROSS CAMPAIGN FOR NEW MEMBERS

Lowell's campaign for members for the local chapter of the Red Cross society opened this morning bright and early and although official reports are not to be made until this evening, indications point to a healthy increase in the society's membership as a result of the initial campaigning.

The workers reported that the response to requests for new members was very encouraging and that there was abundant enthusiasm among those people whom they approached.

In order to facilitate the work of the campaigners much of the literature and supplies connected with the campaign which had been in Memorial hall was today moved to the rooms of the Morris Plan Co. in Shattuck street. This is considered much more convenient and will undoubtedly enable the workers to keep a supply of necessary literature and other materials constantly on hand.

The first reports of the campaign will be made tonight at Memorial hall. The workers are asked to get in their reports by 7:30 if possible as the meeting is to be wholly informal and as soon as a worker makes his report he will be at liberty to go. Those who will be unable to get in at 7:30 will be heard on the 24th, but it is hoped to get the biggest part of the report in within an hour. The committee desires as complete a report as possible for the first day in order that it may be seen just how things are running.

In every church of Lowell yesterday, notice was given of the start of the Red Cross campaign and the various congregations were urged to add the drive as much as possible.

The town of Chelmsford had a little preliminary campaign on Saturday and as a result a lot of new members were secured even before the campaign had officially opened. Justin L. Moore, campaign manager for the town, got 25 and their reports were more than encouraging.

Supt. Redmond Welch of the police department addressed the various shifts yesterday in the interest of the campaign and stated that he hoped to make the campaign 100 per cent. successful in the department.

Persons desiring to become new members and who do not wish to wait until the workers get around to them may "sign up" at the war work headquarters in Merrimack street, at the Morris Plan Co. in Shattuck street or may telephone to the Boy Scout headquarters and a scout will be sent anywhere in the city to arrange matters.

**Red Cross Enlistments**

More than fifty new members have been signed up for the Red Cross society for 1918 through the local war work headquarters. As soon as it became known last week that a campaign was to be conducted in Lowell this week the war headquarters people immediately got busy and opened a "recruiting" office.

**Police Are Patriotic**

Did you notice the Red Cross buttons on the collars of the overcoats of the



For Infants and Children

In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Ritchie*

members of the police department. Every patrolman, officer and, in fact, all employees of the department have joined the American Red Cross Christmas membership campaign and within a short time the 100 per cent membership banner will be hung in the guard room at the police station.

The subscription is \$1 per year and every member of the department has pledged himself to donate that sum every year until the end of the war and also to wear the button until the expiration of the war.

## THE RED CROSS CANTEN AND THE PLACE IT FILLS IN SOLDIER'S LIFE

Squads of soldiers are filing in the first line trenches, or, just relieved there, are returning to the rear. Just back of the second line they pause.

"Um-h-h," sniffs one, quickening to a dog trot.

"Um-h-h," chorus the others, rushing after the leader, elbowing each other for premiership.

They dash up to a Red Cross field canteen—one of which is assigned to each army corps of the French and American army—and clamor like hungry boys.

"Coffee," calls one, "Bullion for me," says another, forgetting the French accent on which he has labored so diligently. Or maybe it is "Tea" or "Cocoa" or "Lemonade." Anyhow, it is a hot drink, it is good, and it goes to the right spot.

Further back, at a railway junction point is a more pretentious Red Cross canteen, as spotless as a perfect restaurant. Behind a porcelain counter stand a row of Red Cross women, dishing out soup or coffee into tin bowls handed over by the unending file of soldiers. The procession moves along with marvelous celerity, those served to eat or drink their fill in a waiting room, those to be served filling their places.

Those who have money pay three cents for a bowl of hot soup (or soup) those who haven't the where-withal—well, no one goes unserved. For 12 cents one "banquet" on soup, roast beef, salad, cheese, pudding and coffee. It is all served at the cost of food. The overhead expense is borne by the Red Cross.

There are abundant wash basins and shower baths next door; and even clean comfortable cots for at least 500 men, in case of long delays for trains.

This is one phase of Red Cross service for which the Red Cross is enlisted hundreds of American women. They are not nurses. They are strong, patriotic American women, able to cook and serve. "They also serve."

Among the New England women in America's quota now in France and enlisted for this special work are Mrs. Mary Stickney Lawrence of Rutland, daughter of one of Vermont's attorneys and widow of another, and Miss Grace Nichols of Boston.

## RED CROSS CHRISTMAS BOXES FOR THE SOLDIER BOYS OVER THERE

Can you imagine Christmas day in France, with some of our soldiers opening Christmas boxes packed by loving hands at home and then with a Christmas greeting, while perhaps other soldiers remain unremembered?

Nothing of the sort is going to happen. Through the generous kindness of various Red Cross chapters and the efficient organization of the Red Cross central committee, distribution service, every soldier in the American army abroad will receive a Christmas box. These boxes are not standardized as to their contents. The general suggestion was that they should contain some form of a game such as a checker board, a quantity of cigars, pipe, tobacco, or cigarettes, a package of candy and some chewing gum.

The character of the contents was left to the ingenuity and good will of the various chapters. Each box represents a value of approximately \$1.50. It is not the value of the thing that counts, however. It is the fact itself. It is the idea that the American Red Cross thinks of all our soldiers and sailors rather than of any individual soldier or sailor, and that its box with the sentiment, "Happy Christmas" on the cover constitutes a greeting from the heart of all the United States to all its fighting men in other lands.

**New York Campaign**

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—A campaign to add half a million members to the Red Cross in New York by Christmas eve was begun today. Thirty thousand volunteers, under the charge of the drive, 10,000 of whom started a house to house canvass. Hundreds of booths, in charge of women were opened in every section of the greater city.

**FOREIGN TRADE CONVENTION**

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—A call for the fifth national foreign trade convention to be held at Cincinnati on Feb. 7, 8 and 9 was issued today by James A. Farrell, president and chairman of the Steel corporation and chairman of the foreign trade council. The purpose of the foreign trade in winning the war will be the general theme of the convention.

**LIGHTLESS NIGHTS**

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 17.—Thos. W. Russell, Connecticut court administrator today designated Sundays and Thursdays as lightless nights, out of doors. He requests that household lighting be kept to the lowest point possible.

**LOCAL POLICE GIVE CLUE THAT LEADS TO ARREST OF ALLEGED BOMBSTER**

A Eugene Wood, formerly employed at the Metropolitan Trust Co. in Boston and apprehended by the police in San Francisco, California, Saturday, was arrested on a clue given by the local police and the Boston police. Welch of the local police department received a letter from Supt. Michael H. Crowley of Boston, thanking the former for the tip given which led to Wood's arrest.

Wood and Arthur E. Abbott, the latter a former bookkeeper at the Federal Trust Co. in Boston, were the embezzlement of \$16,540 last May, according to what could be learned by the police the pair after securing the money made a get-away and went west.

Ser. David Petrie, of the local police learned that Wood was living in the west under an assumed name and he reported the matter to Supt. Welch and the latter in turn communicated with Supt. Crowley of Boston and as a result Wood was arrested at San Diego, Calif., a suburb of San Francisco.

**DETECTION OF METAL IN WOUNDS BY MEANS OF NEW TELEPHONIC DEVICE**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Detection of metal in wounds by means of a new telephonic device, is described in dispatches to the department of commerce. The instrument is moved over the body of the patient and emits a humming note when over a metallic ball or shell splinter and is further used in guiding a probe toward the hidden metal. Whether the metal is magnetic can be determined by the electric magnet without the use of an incision also can be told by the instrument.

## A. G. POLLARD CO.

Lowell's Biggest and Best Christmas Store



**LEADING THE PROCESSION OF CHRISTMAS PROVIDERS**—This store carries an array of Gift Suggestions as comprehensive and attractive as any in New England. This final week of shopping should draw you first to this store. Remember this is to be a patriotic Christmas, so do your part by helping our helpers. Shop early and carry the small parcels.



## MAY WE SUGGEST?

## FOR FATHER

UMBRELLA  
HANDKERCHIEFS  
GLOVES  
MUFFLER  
CANE  
SLIPPERS  
THERMOS BOTTLE  
BILL FOLD  
TRAVELING CASE  
BATH ROBE

## FOR MOTHER

DRESS GOODS  
FANCY APRON  
RUG  
FUR COAT  
KNITTING OUTFIT  
CARD CASE  
PERCOLATOR  
KIMONO  
FANCY BAG  
CARD TABLE

## FOR SISTER

FURS  
SILK UNDERWEAR  
LA VALLIERE  
DIARY  
EVENING SLIPPERS  
WRITING PAPER  
VANITY CASE  
PERFUMERY  
STOCKINGS  
CHAFING DISH

## FOR BROTHER

SHIRTS  
CIGARET CASE  
NECKTIES  
HANDKERCHIEFS  
SWEATER  
SUIT CASE  
CANE  
SHAVING SET  
MILITARY BRUSHES  
SMOKING JACKET

## For the Youngster

PICTURE BOOKS  
HANDKERCHIEFS  
RUBBER BOOTS  
SLEDS  
JEWELRY  
SKATING SETS  
SHOES  
SWEATER  
KNIT GLOVES  
TOOL CHESTS



## GIFTS OF LINEN

Practically acceptable to the home-keeper and the bride-to-be. These are truly unusual values, offered as Christmas specials.

## TABLE DAMASK

Fifteen pieces (15 pcs.) full bleach, 68 inches wide, very choice patterns, made on looms formerly used in the manufacture of linen; worth \$1.50. Special price .....98c Yard

Twenty pieces (20 pcs.) warranted all pure linen, 70 and 72 inches wide, Irish and Scotch make, snow white bleach and very attractive patterns; worth \$2.75. Special price .....1.98 Yard

## PATTERN CLOTHS

Fifty of them, but only three patterns. Chrysanthemum, Rose and Passion Flower. Round designs. 68x68, Scotch make and full bleach; worth \$5.00. Special price .....\$3.75 Each

Fifty Pattern Cloths, size 72x72 inches, suitable for round or square tables, Irish manufacture and glass bleach. Special price \$4.50 Each

Napkins to match .....\$4.50 Dozen

## TOWELS

Huck Towels, foreign in appearance, fine quality, size 18x34 inches, full hemstitched, beautiful finish, 65 per cent. linen. Special price .....25c Each

Another lot made by the same manufacturer, with Jacquard borders and some with monogram spaces. Special price .....30c Each

The finest Huck Towel made in America, extra large size, plain and Grecian borders, monogram spaces. Special price .....69c

Brown's "Shamrock" Towels and Webb's "Dew Bleach" Towels in guest and full sizes, from .....50c to \$1.49 Each

One hundred dozen (100 doz.) Bath Towels, full bleach, extra large size, double thread warp and filling; worth 33c. Special price 25c Each

Fancy Bath Towels, suitable for combing jackets, in blue, pink, gold and lavender, from .....25c to 98c

Turkish Bath Sets, three pieces, large and individual towel and face cloth, blue and pink borders. Special price .....89c Set

## FILET NET LACES

Doilies, Trays, Scarfs, Squares, Centres

Doilies, 12 inch .....59c Each

Bread Trays, 12x18 inches .....98c Each

Scarfs, 20x36 inches .....\$2.25 Each

Scarfs, 20x15 inches .....\$2.50 Each

Scarfs, 20x34 inches .....\$2.75 to \$4.99 Each

Squares, 20x36 inches .....\$3.25 Each

Squares, 48x45 inches .....\$4.50 Each

Squares, 64x54 inches .....\$5.50 Each

Centres, 20 inches .....\$1.49 Each

Centres, 40 inches .....\$1.98 Each

Centres, 50 inches .....\$2.25 Each

Centres, 56 inches .....\$4.50 Each

Real Madeira Hand Embroidery Centres, from .....\$1.98 to \$5.00 Each

Scarfs, from .....\$2.75 to \$12.00 Each

Lunch Cloths, from .....\$12.00 to \$17.50 Each

Napkins, from .....\$7.98 to \$15.00 Dozen

Palmer Street

Left Aisle



## VELVET BAGS AND THOSE OF LEATHER

Never a gift season when bags of every sort were so much to be desired. Milady and her friends count them by the score—here's a splendid assortment, none of which is too expensive.

Velvet Hand Bags, in black, taupe, blue, brown and purple, \$3.50 to \$13.50 Each

Beaded Bags .....\$10.00 to \$22.50

Silk Bags, black, blue, green and brown .....\$1.00 to \$15.00

Velvet Knitting Bags .....\$4.50 to \$7.50

Leather Knitting Bags .....\$4.50 to \$6.50

Week-End Bags .....\$8.50, \$9.00 and \$10.00

Large Shopping Bags .....\$3.00 to \$7.50

Leather Strap Bags .....\$5.00 to \$18.00

Leather Hand Bags .....\$7.50 to \$15.00

Children's Bags .....\$2.50 to \$3.00

Collapsible Bags .....\$2.50 and \$3.00

Collapsible Tubs .....\$2.50 and \$3.00

Men's Hill Folders .....\$1.00 to \$7.50

Pullman Slippers .....49c to \$5.00 Pair

Men's Belts, with sterling silver clasps .....\$1.50 Each

## ELECTRIC CANDLES AND LAMPS

Electric Lamps, silver plated .....\$3.00 and \$6.00 Complete

Ivory Electric Lamps .....\$3.00 to \$5.00

Ivory Electric Candles .....25c to \$1.50

Boudoir Candles, with shades and holder complete .....\$1.00 to \$1.50

West Section

Right Aisle

## From the Book Shop

The Famous Children's Crimson Series .....60c Each

By Kate Douglas Wiggin and Nora Archibald Smith (titles listed below.)

The Fairy Ring—Fairy tales for children 4 to 8 years.

Magic Casements—Fairy tales for children 6 to 12 years.

Tales of Laughter—Fairy tales for growing boys and girls.

Pinafore Palace—Rhymes for growing boys and girls.

The Popsy Ring—Verses and poems that children love to learn.

Golden Numbers—Verses and poems for children and grown ups.

The Talking Beasts—Birds and beasts in fable.

Christmas Stories—"Read us a Story About Christmas."

Stories and Poems From Kipling—An entertaining selection.

U-File-M Scrap Book—The book without an equal, faster binder, time saver, quick finder, beats them all for convenience.

Special price .....\$1.50 Each

Our Special Self-Proneouncing Bible, No. 6190, with illustrations, helps to Bible study, questions and answers on the Scripture, bound in flexible Morocco, with overlapping cover .....\$1.98

A Handy Companion for Soldiers and Sailors—By a Vincentian Father, extra thin edition, good leather binding .....50c Each

Cloth bound .....10c Each

Manual of Prayer—Thin India paper, a nice leather binding, convenient size for ladies, endorsed by Cardinal Gibbons, \$1.50 Each

Key of Heaven—Leather bound, printed on good clear paper, 75c Each

Women's Favorite Cook Book—Three books in one volume by Annie R. Gregory, noted authority and instructor in household economy; also the Art of Carving, illustrated by A. Chabrisson, famous club and hotel chef of America, \$1.00 Each

Just received from the publisher, "The Song of the Cardinal," by Gene Stratton Porter, 60c Each

History of Our Wild West and "Stories of Pioneer Life." Price .....75c Each

Altamus Mother Stories Series Mother Fairy Tales, Mother Nature Stories, Mother Nursery Rhymes and Tales, Mother Stories from the New Testament, Mother Bedtime Stories, Mother Animal Stories, Mother Santa Claus Stories.

35c Each

Don't Forget to Look at Our Line of 60c Fiction.

Palmer Street Centre Aisle

## Gifts of LINGERIE

AND THE LIKE

Our new Muslin Underwear section is a most attractive section these days. Feminine gifts that appeal to every lover of dainty under-clothing. In Christmas boxes, there's no more appropriate gift "from her to her."



Boudoir Caps—A large assortment, made of crepe de chine, Georgette, crepe, ribbon and lace or satin, trimmed, with rosettes or bows of ribbon and lace. Prices from .....50c to \$2.98

Camisoles, made of satin, crepe de chine or organdy, trimmed with dainty lace or embroidered, with or without sleeves. In flesh or white. Prices from .....75c to \$2.50

Gowns, made of lingerie cloth, trimmed elaborately with lace or dainty empire styles, edged with fine embroidery, a large assortment of hand embroidery. Prices from .....75c to \$2.50

Gowns, made of Georgette crepe or crepe de chine, trimmed with lace or plain tailored, a large variety to select from. Prices from .....\$3.98 to \$12.98

Billie Burkes, made of Witchery cloth or crepe de chine, in flesh or white. Prices from .....\$1.50 to \$9.98

Envelope Chemises, made of lingerie cloth, with camisole top, straps of ribbon or lace, all trimmed front and back, the same with lace and embroidery, some hand embroidered. Prices from .....75c to \$3.98

Envelope Chemises, made of Georgette crepe, crepe de chine, satin or silk, in flesh or white, a large assortment. Prices from \$1.50 to \$6.50

Corset Covers, trimmed front and back the same with fish-eye, shadow or val lace, with or without sleeves. Prices from .....50c to \$1.50

White Petticoats, made with a wide flounce of lace or embroidery, a good assortment to choose from. Prices from .....\$1.00 to \$7.50

West Section—Take Elevator Third Floor

## CHRISTMAS JEWELRY

Bead Neck Chains .....25c to \$3.50 Each

Pearl Beads .....\$1.00 to \$10.00 String

Solid Gold Pendants and Chains .....\$1.25 to \$15.00

Babies' Solid Gold Chains and Lockets .....\$2.50 and \$3.00

Babies' Gold Pendants and Chains .....50c to \$3.00

Babies' Gold Pliers Lockets and Chains .....\$1.50 and \$1.75

Gold Filled Neck Chains .....75c to \$1.50

Solid Gold Neck Chains .....\$2.00 to \$3.50

Gold Filled Pendants .....\$1.25 to \$3.00

Solid Gold Brooch Pins .....\$2.00 to \$12.00

Camel Pins .....\$2.00 to \$5.00

Jeweled Aluminum Bar Pins .....\$2.00 to \$5.50

Sterling Silver Jeweled Bar Pins .....\$6.00 to \$14.00

Bracelets .....89c to \$5.00

Bangles .....50c to \$6.50

Solid Gold Hat Pins .....\$1.50 Pair

Hat Pins .....25c and 50c Each

Gold Filled Bar Pins .....50c to \$1.50

Gold Filled Brooch Pins .....60c to \$2.50

Scarf Pins, solid gold .....\$1.00 and \$2.50

Scarf Pins, solid silver .....50c and 75c

Waldemar Chains .....\$1.50 to \$4.75

Cuff Links (solid gold) .....\$1.75 to \$9.00

Pocket Knives .....\$1.25 to \$1.75

Enamelled Cuff Links .....50c to \$1.25

Lingerie Clasps .....50c to \$1.25

Pearl Dress Shirt Sets .....50c to \$1.50

Fancy Combs .....50c to \$10.00

Fancy Earrings .....50c to \$2.50

## Silver Goods and Crucifix

Knitting Needles, sets of four .....\$1.25 and \$2.50 Set

Gold Filled Knitting Needles, sets of four .....\$1.25 and \$2.50

Knitting Needles, silver tips .....\$1.25 to \$2.50

Knitting Needle Shields .....75c, \$1.00 and \$2.00

Sterling Silver Yarn Holders .....\$1.00 and \$1.50

Silver Sugar Vases .....\$7.50

Silver Vases, silver trimmed .....\$7.50

Cut Glass French Dressing Bottles with sterling silver stopper, \$2.50 to \$3.00

Olive Bottles (new) .....\$2.50 to \$3.00

Children's Silver Cups .....\$1.00 to \$7.50

Silver Sleek Sets .....\$1.00 to \$7.50

Silver Coasters .....\$1.50 to \$2.00

Silver Salt and Pepper .....\$5.75 to \$6.50

Silver Tea Spoons .....59c to \$2.00 Each

Silver Bon Bon Dishes .....\$2.50 to \$4.00

Silver Sandwich Plate .....\$6.75 and \$8.50

Silver Ice Tub .....\$14.00 to \$18.00

Silver Sugar and Tea .....\$13.25

Platinoid Picture Frames .....\$7.50 Set

Black Wood Crucifixes with silver, gold and ivory finished corpus, 25c to \$1.50

French Gray and Ornard Gold Crucifix .....\$1.50, \$2.50

French Gray and Ornard Gold Crucifix .....\$3.00 Each

French Gray and Gold Finished Crucifix .....50c to \$1.25

Small Wood Back Crucifix with metal corpus .....50c to \$3.50

Candlesticks to match Crucifix .....50c to \$1.50 Each

## TOILET GOODS

Hudson's Toilet Water .....\$1.00 and \$1.85 Bottle

Glass End Vase Perfume Bottles .....25c to \$6.50 Bottle

Perfume Bottles in cases .....50c, 75c and \$1.25

Talcum Powders .....25c to \$3.50

Combination Gift Boxes .....50c to \$5c Box

Small Water Bottles .....50c to \$3.50

Electric Pads .....\$1.00 and \$1.50

Electric Pads .....\$7.50 Each

West Section

Right Aisle







## INTERESTING LETTERS FROM LOWELL SOLDIERS IN THE WAR ZONE

Mrs. William Delderfield, of 23 Arthur street, has received the following letter from her son, Corp. John Delderfield, who is now in France with Co. A of the military police:

Nov. 25, 1917.  
Dear Mother and Father:—Just a few lines to let you know I am feeling fine and that everything is O. K. I am going to start in by asking you to do me a favor. Will you please send me some stockings and a copy of The Lowell Sun once in a while? I would like to read the Lowell news.

Jimmy told me to send you his best regards. I have received only one letter from you since I left the United States. Did you get my last letter? I haven't much more to say now, but I am sorry that I will not be with you on Thanksgiving day and also Christmas. But never mind, I will soon be back with you all. Don't worry about me now. I hope you have a good time Thanksgiving day and I wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

With love, from your son,  
John.

### Private Leonard Shaw

Private Leonard Shaw of Battery F sends the following letter to a friend in this city from somewhere in France:

Dear Jim: Just a few lines to let you know that I got your letter this noon at dinner time and was very glad to hear from you. Your letter was the first one I received since leaving Buxford and, believe me, I was glad to get it and hear from someone in good old Lowell. I also found out that everything is all right in the shop. How are all the oldtimers? I mean those who worked there when I did. How are all the girls in the shop? Tell them I was asking for them and that I would like to hear from them. Give them my address and tell them to write. We get lots of newspapers over here from Lowell and we know about a great many things that happen back there.

Well, Jim, I suppose you would like to hear about ourselves and France. To start with, all the fellows including myself are feeling fine and like to be here all right. If you were to see us now you would not know us. We have been on the job ever since we left the states. We have a lot of horses now and, believe me, Jim, the fellows are "here." We have more horses than men and you know how many men there are in a battery. Every one of the horses was as green as grass when we first got them so you can see that we had some time breaking them in. The fellows certainly can ride now and, believe me, there is not one wild west show in the United States that has anything on us. If we ever get back to the states we will open the eyes of the people in Lowell when they see us with our horses and guns. I am a driver and we were out drilling this morning. When we got back we got the mail. It makes a fellow feel good to get mail from home. I was eating my dinner when the fellows told me that there was a letter for me. I didn't wait a second. I left my dinner and got the letter. I guess I wasn't glad to hear from "somebody in Lowell!" It's the first letter I got and I had to go back to it this afternoon so I didn't have time to write until now. It is a nice place over here and it is warm. The boys are drilling hard, but they don't mind it. You would not think that they were the same fellows who left Lowell to see them now. I guess the people in the states never think of us fellows over here now. Well, never mind. We are kids now; we have bigger things to think of. We are doing our bit so we don't care what they think of us. But we think of our friends now and then and would be glad to hear from them. So I wish to tell all the folks in the shop whom

I knew when I worked there that I am waiting to hear from them. Also tell them that I wish them a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Thanking you for your letter, I remain  
Your old friend,  
Leonie Shaw.

## DRAFTED MEN IN TOWNS FILLING QUESTIONNAIRES

Advice for the answering questionnaires to registrars for the towns of Methuen, Dracut, Tewksbury, Chelmsford, Tyngsboro and Dunstable, which comprise division 19, will be given by the members of the legal advisory board on the following dates and at the following places:

Lawrence court house, each day from 12 m. to 3 p. m.  
Methuen town hall, Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays, from 3 p. m. to 6 p. m. and 7 p. m. to 9 p. m.  
Town hall, Chelmsford, Mondays and Fridays from 7 p. m. to 9 p. m.  
Town hall, Tyngsboro, Mondays from 7:30 to 9 p. m., and Saturdays from 2 p. m. to 6 p. m., and 7:30 p. m. to 9 p. m.  
Town hall, Tewksbury, Tuesdays from 7 p. m. to 9 p. m.  
Counsellman's chamber, city hall, Lowell, each day from 3 a. m. to 10 p. m.  
Town office, Dracut Centre, Friday, Dec. 21, from 7:30 to 9 p. m.  
Hose house, Navy Yard, Dracut, Thursday, Dec. 20, from 7:30 p. m. to 9 p. m.  
State infirmary, Tewksbury, Friday, Dec. 21, from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m.

### SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Princess Lodge, No. 1, was held in Odd Fellows hall Saturday night. Mary V. Reid presided and considerable routine business was transacted during the evening after which the following officers were installed by installing Deputy Mistress Anna Budd and staff of the lodge: Deputy mistress, Mary V. Reid; deputy mistress, M. Dutney; chaplain, H. Black; recording secretary, M. Morrison; financial secretary, Grace Robinson; treasurer, M. Blakely; first conductor, J. Everett; second conductor, L. Mason; inside guard, A. Hinkley; and outside guard, E. Evans. Following the election remarks were made by several members and refreshments were served.

### Irish National Foresters

The regular meeting and election of officers of the Irish National Foresters was held yesterday. There was a large attendance of members. Chief ranger P. Sexton presiding. Two new members were initiated and considerable routine business was transacted. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Chief ranger, Joseph Hanley; sub chief ranger, Michael Hanley; treasurer, James W. McKenna; financial secretary, Thomas Nevin; assistant secretary, Daniel Healy; senior woodward, Patrick Tammily; junior woodward, John Martin; senior headle, Michael Nugent; junior headle, Hugh McGowan; trustee, John Kenney; and physician, James J. Cassidy. After the meeting a social hour was enjoyed.

### JOHN BENDZEWICZ MISSING

John Bendzewicz, aged 24 years, who was recently released from the McLean hospital at Waverley, Mass., has been missing from his home, 13 Bant's court, according to a report received by the police. It is said that the man is suffering from a mental trouble. His relatives are much concerned over his disappearance. When last seen he wore a black overcoat, belted in the back and a black and white checked cap.

## PROMOTIONS FROM THE RANKS IN U. S. ARMY

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Dec. 17 (By the Associated Press).—Every enlisted man in the American army may carry the stars of a general in his knapsack. Orders just issued by Gen. Pershing provide for promotion from the ranks. Any private may win a commission and climb rapidly.

A section of the general orders says that hereafter all temporary appointments and promotions on the American expeditionary force will be on a selective basis as in the past army. Recommendations for appointments and promotions must be based solely on demonstrated fitness and capacity of the man. The system of temporary appointments is one which the American army has not had previously.

Under it a first lieutenant who has demonstrated special qualities and fitness may and will be temporarily captain or even a temporary major. He would hold that position until he had proved himself worthy of the new rank when the appointment may be made permanent. The British have utilized this method excellent and by it have secured a great number of efficient officers.

It is announced also that regular reports on the fitness of all officers of all ranks are to be made for guidance in transfer and promotion, thus making sure that the soldiers are under competent leaders.

All non-commissioned officers are eligible for a school which is being established at the War Department for the instruction of company commanders. Privates who desire to become officers must first demonstrate their efficiency and fitness for appointment as non-commissioned officers.

When candidates attending the training school have been found to be proficient they will be given vacancies as second lieutenants of replacement divisions. Thence they will go to all vacancies occasioned by casualties and other causes in combat divisions. There will be no limit to the number of second lieutenants in the replacement divisions. On the contrary it is recommended that there be at least three times as many in a given organization as in a corresponding combat division.

Within the combat units vacancies to the extent of one-third of the total will be filled in this manner and two-thirds by promotion within the combat unit itself.

In the replacement divisions, vacancies from the grade of first lieutenant to colonel will be filled by officers recovering from wounds and officers who have received no assignments. Those fully recovering from wounds will be assigned to combat units. Arriving depot battalions hereafter will be considered part of the replacement divisions.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WORKING FOR SOLDIERS

The meeting hall of the Knights of Columbus in the Associate building has been converted into a rest room for the soldiers and, accordingly, cots have been installed there for the benefit of the men in khaki. Saturday evening 17 cots had been properly fitted and the same number of soldiers were accommodated for the night, while 15 others, who were unable to secure rooms at the Y.M.C.A. or other places were also given shelter, but they were forced to make use of the chairs and settees.

Christmas afternoon at 2 o'clock a turkey dinner will be served the soldiers by a special committee appointed by the organization, while small gifts will also be given the soldiers.

Arrangements are now being made for a social party to be conducted Dec. 25 by the K. of C. knitting guild for the benefit of the soldiers and the affair promises to be a success.

The members of the K. of C. guild met yesterday afternoon and discussed plans for the annual contribution of money and goods for the worthy ones during the Christmas season. The members of the guild and the chaplain Rev. J. J. Lynch of St. Michael's church, are working hard to make this year's event a banner one in the history of the organization.

## BOY SCOUT CONCERT BY MEMBERS OF TROOP 26

A most enjoyable concert was given last evening in Sacred Heart hall, East Pine street, by the members of Troop 26, Boy Scouts of Notre Dame de Lourdes parish, the event being given for the benefit of the troop under the direction of the scoutmaster, Rev. Joseph Denis, O.M.I. The attendance was large, the program was very pleasing and the receipts of the evening were very substantial.

The program consisted of a playlet, entitled "L'Orphelin Retrouve," presented by W. St. Pierre, R. Renaud, A. Lefrançois and A. Thibault, and "Le Roi de la Désert" by A. Santerre, E. Crevier, J. Bélanger, R. Lefrançois, J. Lefrançois and E. Malo, as well as the following numbers: "Anticipation," "The World With Its Jealous of Me," by the orchestra; military song, "Hardi, les Gars," by a group of scouts and zouaves; solo by Charles St. Amant; "Joan of Arc" and "Love Dreams" by the orchestra; "La Petit Crucifié" by the orchestra; "La Marseillaise," "En Avant Soldats," and "Les Volontaires Canadiens," chorused by the scouts; awarding of medals to the scouts and the singing of "America."

The orchestra was composed of Mrs. Anne Allain, pianist; Alma Allain, choir master of Notre Dame; as first violin; William Blodreau and Raymond Hamel, second and third violins; Romeo Lefrançois, cornet; and Philip Mallo, drum.

### OIL STOVE RESPONSIBLE FOR LATELY BLAZE IN LOMBARD STREET

A lively blaze broke out in the two-apartment house at 15 Lombard street, owned by John H. Barry, about 3:15 o'clock last night. The fire was caused by a portable oil stove communicating flames to a window curtain, the blaze spreading rapidly to articles of furniture in the room. A telephone alarm was sent to the central fire station and this was followed by a bell alarm from box 127. The damage is estimated at about \$500.

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# What Has the American Red Cross Done With Its Money in Lowell and the Towns of Middlesex County?

Today You Are Being Asked to Join the Red Cross and Pay a Dollar, and You Wish to Know the Facts About What Is Going On. You Have a Right to Know. Then Read This—

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY CHAPTER of the American Red Cross has been steadily at work for more than three years. It began in a small way and with few members. It turned out a small amount of product. It helped the Red Cross do its work with the armies of all nations. It saved many a good man's life in Europe, on the Mexican border and elsewhere.

## Then the United States Entered the War

IMMEDIATELY THE AMERICAN RED CROSS and its chapters all over the country set to work to meet the emergency. More money and more workers were needed and obtained.

IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY a big fund was raised last June. Of that fund the county headquarters in Lowell has received as its share \$38,820. It sent out to the branches in the towns \$9500 as their portion. It retained in Lowell for use here as the central headquarters and for the Lowell workers \$27,320.

NO RENT IS PAID for the use of the entire mill of the Bigelow-Hartford plant, the Bigelow-Hartford Carpet Co. donating the space. And this arrangement is continued by the United States Cartridge Co., the new lessees of the big plant.

NO SALARIES ARE PAID. The only employees under pay are one stenographer and a woman to clean the workrooms. Hundreds of women and men are giving their time and their labor.

\$2000 A YEAR IS ALL that is spent for wages, telephone and telegrams, printing, stationery and postage, membership pins, instruction literature, etc., and this is paid from the ordinary membership receipts. It does not come out of the big fund.

\$24,856 HAS BEEN EXPENDED FOR MATERIALS since July 1. Perhaps \$2000 worth of these are still on hand to be fabricated into finished product.

## The Production Has Tremendously Increased

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER THIS YEAR SHOW WHAT THE RED CROSS IS DOING:—

The Year Ending November 1, 1917	November-December, 1917
Surgical Dressings 82,546	Surgical Dressings 70,949
Bandages 27,695	Bandages 11,282
Cloth Garments 5,707	Cloth Garments 1,808
Knitted Articles 7,583	Knitted Articles *6,426
Totals 123,531	Totals 90,465

\*—To December 12.

For the purpose of closer knit organization this chapter has now been reduced in size, eliminating the more distant sections of the county. From now on the south and east ends of the county will not report here. Yet the Lowell totals will grow.

OF THE GREAT FUND RAISED last June about \$6000 is still available for the Red Cross workroom efforts. Some of the money sent to the towns has come back in payment for supplies taken from headquarters.

\$1000 HAS BEEN SET ASIDE to give immediate relief to families and dependents of soldiers and sailors. This is a small sum but it is simply to piece out the Federal and State aid where necessity arises.

BRITISH RELIEF IS ALSO PAID by the American Red Cross for dependents of British soldiers and sailors, but this expenditure is collected back.

THE RED CROSS CANTEEN at 119 Merrimack street is financed separately from Red Cross funds. The food is donated and small expense paid by other means than drawing on the Red Cross treasury. It is conducted by a committee from the Red Cross.

THE PEOPLE LIKE TO SEE THEIR DOLLARS COUNT WHEN THEY GIVE THEM. YOURS HAS DONE A PART OF THE WORK HERE. BUT THE WORK HAS NOT ENDED.

## IT MUST CONTINUE UNABATED

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS IS THE CONCENTRATED EFFORT OF A NATION TO HELP ITS ARMED FORCES IN TRAINING AND IN THE FIELD.

DO YOU WANT TO BE A PART OF THE 1918 WORK? DO YOU APPROVE OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS AND ITS WORK?

## No One Is Too Busy to Join the Red Cross IT COSTS ONE DOLLAR

YOU CAN JOIN TODAY THROUGH YOUR INDUSTRY, YOUR OFFICE, YOUR STORE, YOUR TRADE, YOUR PROFESSION, OR AT YOUR HOME.

Special Membership Booths at War Work Headquarters, 119 Merrimack Street.

If the war should end today would it catch you without having lifted your finger to help the cause? Not if you have been a member of the Red Cross.



## A Christmas Greeting by Telegraph

carries with it a feeling of spontaneous warmth and a sense of personal nearness which no other form of communication conveys.

A 50-word Night Letter affords ample scope for the fullest expression.

The boys in camp, particularly, will welcome a Christmas telegram.

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IN SEARCH OF ANOTHER HOME

This represents three Halifax families—all that remain of them—and all the possessions they saved from the great disaster. Together with the two surviving men as leaders, they are setting out to find another home, a refuge, temporary at least, from the wintry blasts that followed the Mont Blanc explosion. Notice the two trunks, the pile of bedding, and, behind the two women seated in the middle of the sleigh, the one straw hat.

## TO BRING CREWS INTO MILITARY SERVICE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Immediate legislation to bring the crews of transport, mine layers and other army vessels into the military service is urged by the War Department. The War Department is making public last night. Continued difficulties with civilian crews are described, while the conclusion that the government can be aided only by making officers and men subject to military discipline.

The report adds a new element to the controversy over the manning of ships carrying troops and supplies to Europe. A proposal to have all American overseas merchant craft manned by naval reservists has been rejected by the shipping board, which recently announced that the navy would operate troopships and vessels carrying solely military supplies, but that all others would remain in the hands of civilian crews.

Ever since the war in Europe created an abnormal demand for seamen, Gen. Sharpe's report says, there has been trouble. The army transport Sherman was tied up for some time in April, 1917, when under orders for Honolulu with military building materials, by a demand for higher pay by the crew.

"That increase had to be granted," says the report, "before the ship could sail."

Since the United States entered the war, the need for a firm control over transport crews has increased, difficulties with certain members of the crews arising at almost every sailing of an army transport and the same conditions multiplying on the harbor boats, mine planters and cable steamers.

In April of this year, with war at hand, the crew of the army transport Thomas refused to sail without an increase in pay, while at Newport, R. I., the army vessel crews were about to resign to get better pay in the naval reserve.

"With the rate of wages fixed by law," the report says, "the department has found itself seriously embarrassed and handicapped in its undertaking to accede to the demands for increases and in several instances an adjustment to meet the requirements of the crew has only resulted in similar request from the same crew in a very short time so that the department has been placed at the mercy of its employees."

## TRINITARIAN CHURCH RAISED SERVICE FLAG

A service flag containing 23 stars was dedicated at the First Trinitarian Congregational church yesterday morning and on this occasion a special service was held. The service, opened with the singing of "Keep the Home Fires Burning" by Mrs. Walter Muzzey and this was followed by the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" by the assembly, while the colors were being carried to the front of the church.

In his sermon, which was for its subject, "The Invisible Armor," Rev. Mr. Clapp emphasized the value of moral support for the soldiers, as well as the material. "In order that our young men may play their part valiantly, they should have the cheer and encouragement brought by the assurance of the hearty interest and co-operation of people at home, as well as the best fellowship of their new surroundings. This will produce an attitude of mind which Secretary Baker has called 'The Invisible Armor,' he said.

The First Trinitarian honor roll is as follows:

Corp. Eugene L. Aldrich.  
Corp. Frank B. Baehleider.  
Fred Campbell.  
Lieut. Arthur H. Cashin.  
Herbert B. Dumesnil.  
Corp. Wallace Duncan.  
Edmund Fernley.  
William Fenley.  
Wesley Goodwin.  
Walter J. Gunston.  
Frank Hart.  
Chester E. Hill.  
George E. Hill.  
William Maloney.  
George Mitchell.  
Brackett Parsons.  
Everett E. Taylor.  
Herbert Taylor.  
Sergt. Charles B. Thompson.  
Capt. William I. Wiggin.  
Mrs. William I. Wiggin.  
Claude Rutter.

### AMUSEMENT NOTES

Note:—Below is what the press agents of the different theatres say of the current attractions and of others to come later.

#### B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE

A Scotch Highland act which holds novelty as well as the better known comedians will be featured at the B. F. Keith theatre, this week. "Tom Brown's Musical Highlanders" is the official title of the act, and in it there will appear four men and three women. The kills and the plums will be worn, and the flavor will be the irresistible one of the heather land, although several new things will be brought forward, notably the songs of the allied nations, which will be used as a finale. This is said to be remarkably well done, and it is sure to make a very decided hit.

"Cranberries," a comedy with a real love motif, and which was written by Edward S. Ruskay, will be the third offering on this very good bill. Mr.

Ruskay is credited with having put together one of the very best sketches of the year, "The Meanest Man in the World." Right after this had scored a hit, along he came with "Cranberries," which shows him in very happy vein indeed as a playwright. He has been fortunate in getting a cast of adequate talents to present it.

For a comedy knockout let us commend you to Eddie Dowling, the international comedian, who not only portrays types which are known on the continent, but who has put forward these types in the very times where they are best known. His Italian is a fine piece of work, as are his London duds and his Parisian boulevardier. Dowling has a swing and a kick to him which are simply irresistible.

Angell, Aldo and Fuller have brought together a little skit made out of the elements of life right up at the present time. Comedy is striking in it, although there is a strikingly patriotic finale. One of the leading characters is that of the Civil war veteran, who does not believe in slackers, and who makes himself thoroughly well understood on that subject. William and Ada White will contribute a song and dance, or two. They are lively performers who may be depended upon to get a lot of fun out of their work and who invariably please their audience. The Frennell trio are circus performers who will give "Bits from Circus."

dom," an act of thrills and comedy and music.

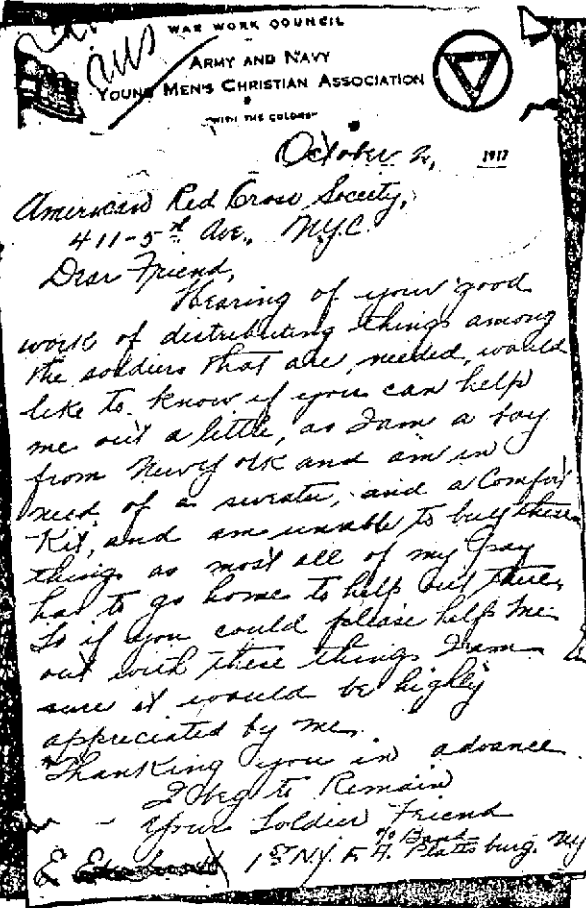
The picture feature of the week is no less a star film than "The Cinderella Man," with Mae Marsh in the leading part. Phone 28.

#### OPERA HOUSE

"Playthings," a terrible indictment of parents who allow their daughters to grow up in ignorance, by Sidney Toler, is to be the week's production by the New Emerson Players at the Opera House.

The daring and gripping story about which the author has woven four interesting acts concerns a girl's revolt against circumstances and her struggles for justice against overwhelming odds. It is a human and appealing play of modern times, and no one who is interested in the universal problem of humanity can afford to miss it.

In it the Players will again bestow to excellent advantage. Douglas Dumbrille and Miss Rotoli are scheduled to score bigger hits than on any former occasion, while the supporting cast will be found in congenial roles. This afternoon and tonight orders for any \$25 suit to be had at J. L. Chaffoux's store, will be given to the holder of the lucky reserved seat coupon. Remember these offers are for both afternoon and night and genuine. All persons holding reserved seat



The above letter is one of thousands the Red Cross has received from American soldiers and sailors in service abroad and in training at home. This boy writes from the Y. M. C. A. room at Plattsburg, N. Y.

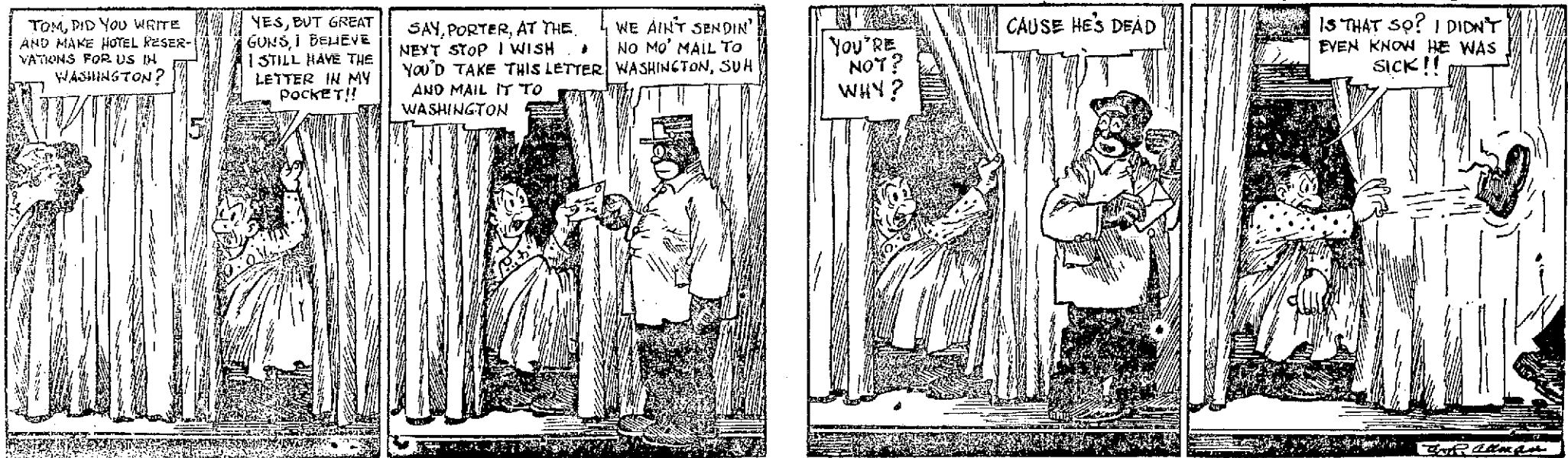
coupons are eligible. Try your luck. It may be your day. If not in the afternoon, then try at night. Two suits will be given away. Make your reservations early. Tel. 261.

#### THE STRAND

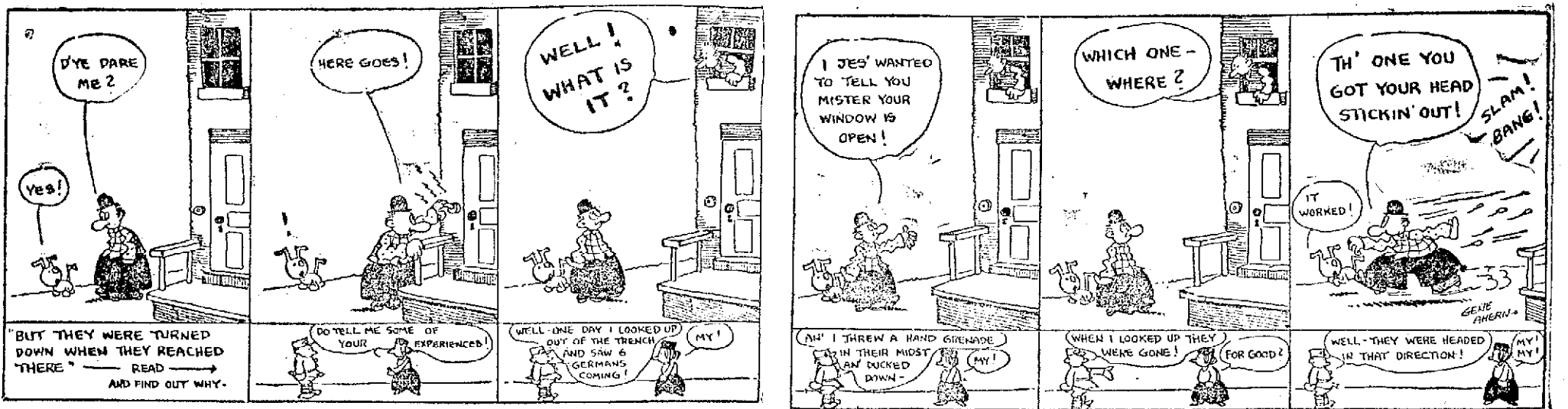
June Elvidge, the handsome and accomplished screen star who appeared in person at The Strand a short time ago, will be presented for the first three days of the week in the World Film Corporation's latest release, "The Tenth Case." This announcement will, no doubt, create no end of favorable comment among the playgoers generally about Lowell, and crowded houses should be the order of things both afternoon and night. The first presentation is this afternoon and the last Wednesday night. Indications at this time point to record-breaking attendance at all presentations.

"The Tenth Case," a World Film Corporation production by William A. Brady, director general, in which Miss Elvidge is to appear, is a most striking, unusual, wholly interesting drama of modern life. The star has the role of Claudia Peyton, which demands a characterization of force and power in which she is seen in splendid advantage. Supporting Miss Elvidge is a company of particular excellence, embracing a number of film favorites.

#### THE LETTER FOLLOWED NEXT DAY



WE'LL SEND HIM TO BED WITHOUT SUPPER, FOR THAT



IT MAKES QUITE A DIFFERENCE



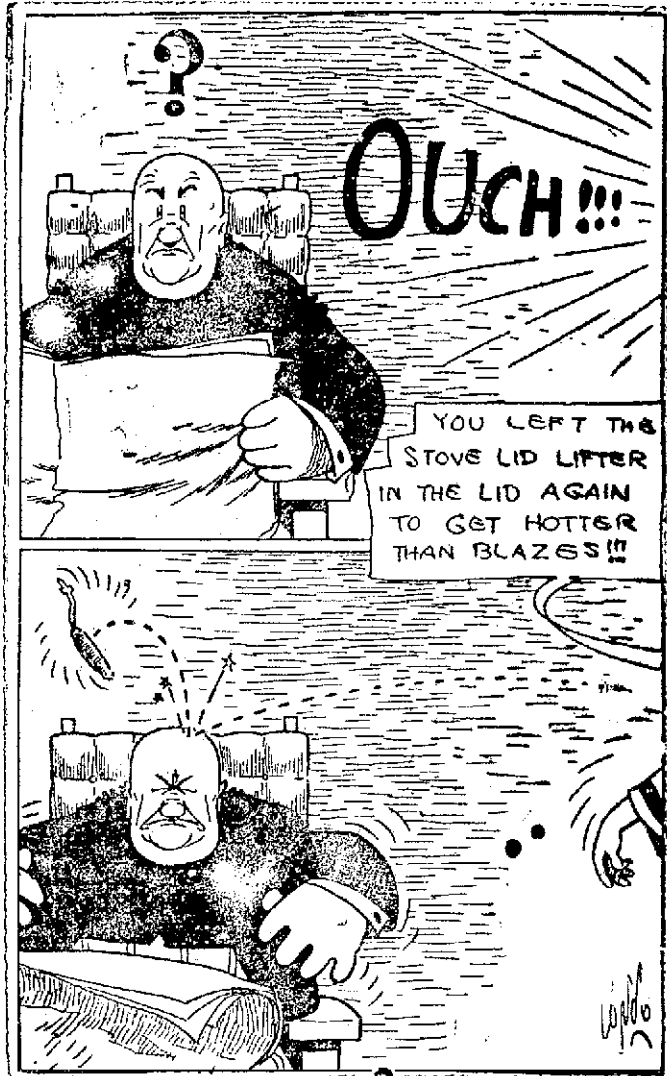
solist, and the Strand Symphony players will provide their usual high-class musical numbers. The comedy, Strand revue of current events, and the Educational feature will be of added interest to all lovers of high-class entertainment.

#### JULIUS C. ZAEDELL, WELL KNOWN ELK, DIED IN WORCESTER HOSPITAL

WORCESTER, Dec. 17.—Julius C. Zaeder, aged 52, one of the most prominent Elks in New England and for many years one of Worcester's best known restaurant managers, died yesterday in the City hospital after a month's illness of heart disease. Mr. Zaeder was a native of Hartford, son of the late Benjamin and Ellen (Karr) Zaeder, but practically all his life was passed in Worcester, having moved here with his parents when he was six months old.

He was a charter member and past exalted ruler of Worcester Lodge of Elks, in which he was known as the father of the Christmas giving to widows and orphans. He attended all the national conventions of the order up to a few years ago and had served as district deputy and had given the principal address at Elks' memorial exercises all over New England. During his term as head of Worcester lodge he created the Elks' clubhouse at Lake Quinsigamond for the Elks.

He was also a member of the Masonic fraternity, reaching the 22d degree; was past president of the Edwin Forrest club, and a member of Worcester County Fish and Game association. He is survived by a wife and daughter and two brothers. The funeral will be Wednesday.







*Mrs. Frank Gotch*

After defeating the scrappy Taunter

After defeating the scrappy Taunton team at the Rollaway rink on Saturday afternoon, in a hard-fought game by the score of 5 to 2, the Lowell team rushed to the depot and boarded a train for Providence. The Lowell men had but 20 minutes to change and get to the station, consequently being unable to get food or refreshments. Upon their arrival at Providence they had no time to stop at restaurants and went into the game Saturday night in a rather weakened condition. Though in the afternoon, the Lowell side, and the famous "Red" and "Black" manager Harding's men, and while they agreed Providence to go the limit, they were usually in place, and the Lowell side was lucking, and they proceeded to bow to the Providence team.

The afternoon of Dec. 15 to 20 was reported in the last edition of The Sun on Saturday. It was an exciting set-to, decided by a lead in the first period. The brilliant playing of Harkins was the feature. In the evening game with Providence men put up their best play of the season is another reason for the interest in the event from Providence on Saturday night's game as follows:

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 17.—In the last battle of the year Providence defeated the Boston team by a score of eight, 7 to 3. The locals played by far the best polo they have shown here in a long time, completely bottling up the visitors. The game was an even war, but the great work of Purcell in goal. The lineup:

evidence	Lowell
alexander, 1r	1r, Oldham
ahoe, 2r	2r, Harkness
uirthead, c	c, Griffin
umeron, hb	hb, Finnell
ence, g	g, Purcell

Score: Providence 7, Lowell 3.  
 1st heat: Alexander 7, Oldham 6. Foul.  
 Stops: Fence 42, Purcell 37.  
 Referee, Graham; timer, Perrin.

**Pala-Nates**

Tomorrow night, Worcester and Lowell will clash at the Rollaway rink.

The last time Worcester was here, the team led by the famous "Jigger" Higgins had a slight lead on Lowell in the league standing, and a victory by Lowell put us on top. The present standing also shows that Worcester has the advantage, but a win for Lowell would change that.

The famous Higgins, when last here, was just recovering from the effects of a collision with Griffith of Lowell a week before, and was not in his best form. He has now fully recovered and avers that he will lead his

Goal Tond Purcell is coming along like a flash, and his fine blocking is giving a great help to the local team. He's in the game all the time. He always has an eye on the ball. A feature of his work is the manner in

... Saturday afternoon was "Ladies" at the Rolloway, and a large number of the fair sex attended the game. They were very enthusiastic and rooted for the home team throughout the entire game.

**TUESDAY NIGHT**  
**RCESTER vs. LOWELL**  
Game at 8.15.  
Amateur Game at 7.30.

**Polo** — AT — **TUESDAY NIGHT**  
**Rollaway** **WORCESTER vs. LOWELL**  
Game at 8.15.  
Amateur Game at 7.30.

## ROOTS AND SHOES

POLO LEAGUE STANDING			
	Won	Lost	P.C.
Worcester	5	5	64.3
Lowell	10	6	62.5
Portland	6	7	46.4
Brockton	6	7	46.2
Providence	5	8	42.9
Worcester	5	10	33.3

**Games This Week**

The polo schedule for the week ended Dec. 23 is as follows:

Tonight: Worcester at Lawrence, Brockton at Worcester.

Monday: Worcester at Lowell, Lawrence at Portland.

Tuesday: Providence at Worcester, Portland at Lawrence.

Thursday: Portland at Brockton.

Friday: Worcester at Lawrence, Lowell at Worcester.

Saturday: Portland at Providence, Brockton at Lawrence, Lowell at Worcester.

**SITUATIONS WANTED**

AN aged 29, desires to place his services in responsible position; well educated; speaks English and French; qualified as an executive or salesman; conversed in French and English; excellent record in present position. Write to L. N. Sun Office.

atrix of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court for allowance the first account of her administration of said estate and application has been made for payment of the balance in her hands among the next of kin of said deceased. The Court hereby cited to appear at said probate hearing the following persons in said County of Middlesex, on twenty-sixth day of December, 1917, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause why said account should not be allowed and distribution made according to said application.

And the Court is ordered to serve citation by publishing the name of each in each week, for three successive weeks in the Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in said County of Middlesex.

<p> <b>WANTED</b> <b>BLACK</b> <b>POCKET-SQUARE</b>, ladies', containing sum of money, lost Saturday morning in Chalfont's or vicinity. Will be rewarded if return to 3 Little. </p> <p> <b>LEAVE</b> <b>BOOK</b>, Boston &amp; Maine line, lost, 305 miles remaining, Carelhampton. Reward at The Sun </p> <p> <b>LOST</b> <b>CASH</b> <b>PURSE</b> lost containing sum of money and papers, valuable to owner. Reward if returned to Chalfont's Victoria dept. or Tel. 3571-lt. </p> <p> <b>LOST</b> <b>UNCLAIMED</b> <b>BLACK</b> <b>LEATHER</b> <b>BAG</b> containing medical articles, lost from auto. Reward at 779 Merrimack. </p> <p> <b>LOST</b> <b>GENTLEMAN'S</b> <b>DIAMOND</b> <b>RING</b> lost early morning between Ralph St. &amp; Merrimack square via Middlesex </p>	<p> <b>Wanted</b>  <b>Price</b>  <b>With</b>  <b>Time</b>  <b>Loc.</b>  <b>Surv.</b>  <b>Age</b>  <b>Color</b>  <b>Height</b>  <b>Weight</b>  <b>Build</b>  <b>Complexion</b>  <b>Birth</b>  <b>Place</b>  <b>Parents</b>  <b>Relatives</b>  <b>Education</b>  <b>Occupation</b>  <b>Marriage</b>  <b>Children</b>  <b>Other</b>  <b>Remarks</b> </p>
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<p> <b>UNIONS TO CALL FROM BOSTON</b>            Am. Div. 100            C. P. Div. 100            I. W. O. Div. 100            6.80 2.55 3.38            7.50 6.00 7.00            7.50 8.33 8.34            7.50 7.38 5.36            10.00 10.00 10.00            9.42 11.80 13.00            10.37 12.50 1.99            10.37 11.00 1.00            11.48 2.15 3.10            1.06 3.00 3.51            2.35 33.44 3.00         </p>	<p> <b>Portland Division</b>            6.35 7.26 10.00            10.00 7.00 3.52            10.00 7.00 3.52            7.07 8.18 7.00            9.50 11.00 8.50  <b>Sunday Trades</b>            3.20 3.20 3.20            3.40 4.40 5.14            3.45 7.02 6.45            3.45 7.02 6.45  <b>Sunday Trades</b>            3.20 3.20 3.20            3.40 4.40 5.14            3.45 7.02 6.45            3.45 7.02 6.45         </p>
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# WEBER DEFEATS THREE MEN AT MARLBORO

Albert Nebes of Lowell, eastern Massachusetts roller skater, defeated the tri-State relay team made up of Skutumpah's Chick Perry of New York, Myron Norton of New Hampshire, and Bill Norton of Lowell. The race at the Pastime rink, Marlboro, Saturday night, Nebes was signed to skate the six-mile race, giving his opponents three minutes. But, shortly before starting time the team objected to go on unless a greater handicap was offered. After a few minutes of discussion, race officials disappointed the big house, and agreed to give the team a 10-lap handicap in 10-mile race, with flying relays. After the 10-lap handicap was accepted and the race started, Perry was first to oppose Nebes, then Lynch appeared and finally Norton. Nebes just held the first two men, and then went out and lapped Norton with 10 minutes left. This plan was continued throughout the race, and every time that Norton appeared some lively cheering was witnessed. The race was made a big hit with the crowd, and the boy was loudly cheered when he passed the tape in front with three laps of the handicap to the good. The gain of the race was 10 flying relays and eight laps on Norton. The time was 31 minutes and 23.2 seconds.

POLO LEAGUE STANDING			
	Won	Lost	P.C.
1. <b>WARRIORS</b>	10	0	100
2. <b>WARRIORS</b>	7	2	77.8
3. <b>WARRIORS</b>	6	2	75
4. <b>WARRIORS</b>	5	3	62.5
5. <b>WARRIORS</b>	4	4	50
6. <b>WARRIORS</b>	3	5	37.5
7. <b>WARRIORS</b>	2	6	25
8. <b>WARRIORS</b>	1	7	12.5
9. <b>WARRIORS</b>	0	8	0

Worcester .....	5	5	64.2
Wrexham .....	10	6	61.3
Widnes .....	6	6	50.0
Widnes .....	6	7	46.2
Widnes .....	6	8	42.9
Widnes .....	5	10	33.3

**Times This Week**

The polo schedule for the week ending Dec. 22 is as follows:

Tonight: Worcester at Lawrence,  
 at Widnes at Brockton.

Tuesdays: Worcester at Lowell, Lawrence at Portland.

Wednesday: Providence at Worcester.  
 Thursday: Portland at Lawrence.  
 Friday: Brockton at Lowell.  
 Saturday afternoon, Lawrence at Lowell.  
 Evening, Portland at Providence.  
 Brockton at Lawrence. Lowell at Worcester.

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Shbury 101.10, Bowers 100.11, Brock  
7, Riley 99.23, Burns 99.9, Prescott  
6, Strand 96.14, Donaldson 99.9

W. Simard 38.15, Holmbyus 35.6,  
 Burke 38.4, Davis 38.1, Holland 37.16,  
 Greenwood 37.15, Kuano 37, Ellis 36.21  
 Pettin 36.18, McPeay 36.8, Shepard  
 Chase 36.17, McLaughlin 35.15, Dr.  
 Weinstein 35.6, Dean 35.3, Patrick 35.3,  
 Tait 34.16, Holmes 34.8, Burke 34.3,  
 Conroy 34.2, Richardson 33.9, Bailey  
 Silcox 32, Atkinson 31.7, White  
 Conure 30.15, Wilkinson 30.12,  
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LOST AND FOUND

**TOWN POCKETBOOK** lost in Kresge's or Pollard's; containing sum money and pay envelope; name on envelope. Reward if returned to 1010 avenue.

**ALL THE PERSON** who was seen taking the pocketbook in Kresge's & Ten Cent store please return it to 1010 avenue.

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LEAGUE BOOK, Boston & Maine  
lost, 393 miles remaining; dated  
Hampton. Reward at The Sun  
Co.

WALKER PURSE; lost; containing sum	b2
money and papers valuable to	b7C
Mr. Roward if returned to Challe-	b6-S

Victrola dept. or Tel. 3571-R.	6.57
STAINED BLACK LEATHER BAG	7.25
containing medical articles, lost from	7.50
Mr. J. C. Howard's auto. Reward at 779 Merrick	9.07
St. L.	9.48
GENTLEMAN'S DIAMOND RING lost	10.10
early morning between Ralph St.	11.00
and Merrimack square via Middlesex	12.15
St. L.	1.45
Howard's auto. Reward at 779 Merrick	2.43

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**GHY-ROOM COTTAGE** near Paw-  
sville school for sale; bright,  
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**5-Room S-ROOM COTTAGE** for sale; new heat, electric lights, hardwood floors, bath and all modern improvements; 5000 ft. of land; forced to sell: \$1900; only \$200 down, balance

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area. Another 6-room cottage for  
next to above cottage; steam  
electric lights, bath, town  
r, etc. \$600 ft. of land; sacrificed  
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Eastern Division	Portland Division
Position	To Boston
Arr.	From
6.50	6.50
2.50	2.50
3.38	3.38

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From	From	From
6.50	6.50	6.50
2.50	2.50	2.50
3.38	3.38	3.38

7.26	6.60	7.03	10.69	14.02	2.29	4.41
7.30	26.83	8.04	pm3.14	6.43	5.14	8.19
7.53	7.85	8.26	7.07	8.18	7.00	8.15

8.00	nbs.21	9.54	9.50	11.00	9.50	11.00
8.05	9.00	9.39				
8.07	9.30	10.09	<b>Sunday Train</b>			
8.42	11.30	12.09	<b>Portland Division</b>			
10.37	12.30	1.09	19.07	1.19	5.30	4.45
11.15	11.05	1.58	3.40	4.45	5.14	6.45
11.48	2.15	3.10	8.45	7.05	8.45	8.35
1.06	3.00	3.51	8.55	10.24		
2.32	bs.14	5.00	<b>Sunday Train</b>			
3.41	4.00	4.39	<b>Southern Division</b>			

4.10	5.00	3.20	6.47	7.30	8.65	9.47
4.98	65.91	6.97	7.23	8.04	9.80	10.09

8.76	8.83	8.20	8.86	8.38	8.80	7.98
6.30	10.51	7.10	9.19	10.19	1.00	1.00
7.16	6.14	7.23	10.20	11.77	8.80	6.21
7.06	8.00	8.18	2.63	8.35	7.15	8.29
8.57	8.30	9.08	6.10	6.00	8.08	8.98
10.51	10.30	11.87	6.28	7.10	8.30	8.04
	11.10	12.46	8.15	8.67	9.20	10.46
			8.16	8.64		11.44
			9.46	10.00		

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# TERMS OF THE RUSSO-GERMAN ARMISTICE

PETROGRAD, Dec. 16.—The terms of the Russo-German armistice according to a statement issued here, obligate no transference of troops until Jan. 14 (January 1, Russian); no increase of troops on the fronts or on the islands in the Moon Sound or a regrouping of forces. Intercourse between the troops may be allowed from

sunrise to sunset. Groups are limited to 25 persons at a time who may exchange articles of prime necessity. The text of the agreement says: "Between the representatives of the higher command of Russia on the one hand and of Bulgaria, Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey on the other hand, for the purpose of achieving a lasting and honorable peace between both parties, the following armistice is concluded:

"The armistice shall begin on Dec. 4 (Dec. 17) at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and continue until Jan. 1, (Jan. 14). The contracting parties have the right to break the armistice by giving seven days' notice. Unless notice is given the armistice automatically continues. "The armistice embraces the land and aerial forces on the front from the Baltic to the Black sea and also the

Russo-Turkish front in Asia Minor. During the armistice the parties concerned obligate themselves not to increase the number of troops on the above fronts or on the islands in Moon Sound or to make a re-grouping of forces.

"Neither side is to make operative any transfers of troops from the Baltic-Black sea front until Jan. 1, (Jan. 14) excepting those begun before the agreement is signed. They obligate themselves not to concentrate troops on ports of the Black sea east of 15 degrees of longitude east of Greenwich.

"The line of demarcation on the European front is the first line of defense. The space between will be neutral. The navigable rivers will be neutral, their navigation being forbidden except for necessary purposes of commercial transport or on sections where the positions are at great distance. On the Russo-Turkish front the line of demarcation will be arranged at the mutual consent of the chief commanders.

"The armistice on the naval fronts embraces all of the Black sea and the Baltic sea east of the meridian 15 degrees of Greenwich. The demarcation line fixed for the Black sea is from the mouth of the Danube to the estuary of the Danube to Cape Gares. In the Baltic the line runs from Reckuel to the western coast of Worms Island to the island of Englaer to Khegarne.

"Russian war vessels must not cross south of this line and the other parties must not go north. The Russian government guarantees that the entente powers shall obey the rules of this provision and that Russian warships shall not be allowed to sail among the Aland islands.

"Intercourse will be allowed from sunrise to sunset, no more than 25 persons participating at a time. The participants may exchange papers, magazines, unsealed mail and also may carry on trade in the exchange of articles of prime necessity.

"The question of release of troops freed from service who are beyond the line of demarcation will be solved during the peace negotiations. This applies also to Polish troops. "Immediately after the signing of the armistice, peace negotiations shall begin. It is provided. Measures shall be taken for the exchange of civil prisoners, invalids, women and children under 15 years and for the amelioration of conditions of war prisoners.

"The treaty concludes with these words: 'With the purpose of facilitating the conduct of peace negotiations and the speedy healing of the wounds caused by the war the contracting parties take measures for re-establishment of cultural and economic relations among the signatories. Within such limits as the armistice permits, postal relations, the mailing of books and papers will be permitted, the demarcation, represented by a mixed commission, representing all the interested parties at Petrograd.'

**Expect Permanent Peace**  
LONDON, Dec. 17.—The predominant fact as regards the Russian situation at this moment is the signing of an armistice, which is announced officially at the capitals of all the countries concerned. According to despatches from Petrograd, everyone there believes that a permanent peace between Russia and the central powers will result. Correspondents in general treat as negligible the undertaking of Germany and her allies not to withdraw troops from the Russian front. A despatch to The Times says large masses of Germans already have been removed and that probably the German command has transferred all its plans to employ elsewhere so that its plans are not likely to be deranged seriously. The reported suicide during the armistice negotiations at East-Livsk of the Russian general Skalon apparently has made a considerable impression in the Petrograd. The Russian national commission are also in regard to it. A despatch to The Post says Gen. Skalon was responsible for

the armistice conditions, including the evacuation of Moon Sound, which offended the Germans at the first meeting of the negotiators and rendered necessary the efforts of the first mission.

Gen. Skalon returned most unwillingly for the second meeting, under imperialist to the right and the left correspondent seeks to show there is nothing to prove that he committed suicide, which is most improbable, and insisted that he had not used the word.

There is no confirmation of last week's official Bolshevik announcement regarding the arrest of Gen. Skalon.

The latest returns from the elections to the constituent assembly as supplied by the Bolsheviks show that 237 delegates are Bolsheviks, 115 social revolutionists, 16 constitutional democrats and the others scattering. About 80 delegates are not in Petrograd, but no further attempt has been made to hold a meeting. The Ukrainian delegates are expected to arrive in Petrograd today. Referring to the numerical preponderance of social revolutionists among the delegates, the Petrograd correspondent of the Daily News says the crisis of the matter is what proportion of the delegates belong to the right or to the left. The latter being mere tools in the hands of the Bolsheviks. The real meaning of the figures cannot be ascertained at present because the names of those elected are not available.

The official denial of the story that former Emperor Nicholas had escaped and the telegram from Bolsheviks received by the railwaymen's union, saying the report was false, held the field for the present against various rumors regarding the Romanoffs, who are being subjects of increasing interest to the population of Petrograd. A strike at Moscow began yesterday.

## PEACE NEGOTIATIONS Continued

definite period afterward unless a seven days' notice is given. Petrograd says that both sides agreed not to carry on military transfers on the eastern theatre except those begun when the treaty was signed.

**Allies May Recognize Bolsheviks**  
London newspapers forecast that the allies will give recognition to the Bolsheviks "in order to prevent Russia from passing under the political and economical heel of Germany."

**England to Release Tchitcherine**  
Great Britain is said to have decided to release Tchitcherine, a Russian political prisoner, and the Bolsheviks are expected to release British subjects to leave Russia. To the American delegates at the Paris conference is said to belong the credit for the tempering of the allied attitude toward the Bolsheviks.

**Labor Strikes in Russia**  
Labor strikes appear to be the great obstacle before the Bolsheviks. At present, especially in the Petrograd district, the railway and fuel situations are serious. The counter-revolution is still more or less of a menace to Bolshevik authority, and the constituent assembly is another knotty problem. The confiscation of all property, lands and money of the Russian church has been decreed by the Bolsheviks, who also have abolished all privileges of the clergy.

**Austro-German Attack in Italy**  
Except on the short stretch between the Brenna and the Piave rivers there has been no marked infantry activity on the front from the North sea to the Adriatic. Although heavy losses have been heavy, the Austro-Germans continue their strong attacks in an effort to break the Italian northern defense. In hard fighting just east of the Brenna the enemy has gained Col. Caprille, at the head of the San Lorenzo valley after two attacks had been repulsed. The invaders have not yet reached the valley, further efforts here and elsewhere having been checked by the Italians.

**British Repulse Raids**  
British troops on the Canbrai front have repulsed raids by infantry and bombing parties on the southern end of the British improved their position. The artillery action has been more marked south of the Scarpe, in the Arras area, and north of Langemarck, in Flanders. In Champagne, north of the Chemin-des-Dames and south of St. Quentin, German efforts have been checked by the French while intermittent artillery activity has continued over a greater part of the front from St. Quentin to Switzerland.

**British Report on Air Operations**  
LONDON, Dec. 17.—The British war office statement on aerial operations, issued last midnight reads: "Although the weather was hazy Saturday, a very high wind and ground mist interfered with reconnaissance and artillery work. Many rounds were fired during the day into enemy trenches and bombs were dropped on numerous targets, including two positions of long-range guns southwest of

Lille. Later we again bombed these gun positions.

"During several nights three hostile machines were driven down out of control. None of ours are missing."

**Italian War Report**  
ROME, Dec. 16.—There was little infantry fighting on the front between the Brenna and Piave Saturday and Sunday. The Italian war office today says. There was much artillery fighting on the northern front. The statement reads:

"Between the Brenna and the Piave the struggle, which diminished in intensity Friday evening did not increase yesterday. About 3 o'clock in the afternoon in the Col. della Brenta region hostile infantry attempted to advance against our line, but was driven back completely by a prompt counter attack. The artillery activity generally maintained the character of a harassing fire. Our batteries repeatedly and for a long time put down an intense barrage on the positions on Col. Caprille, which had been withdrawn from the day before.

"In the Giudicaria valley, on the night of the 14-15 we repulsed enemy detachments, which, after long artillery preparation, attempted to carry one of our observation posts on Monte Melino. At the delta of the Piave a storming platoon, well supported by an armed motor boat, destroyed one of the enemy's small bridges, and patrols consisting of sailors attacked some houses occupied by the enemy and captured numbers of prisoners. Along the remainder of the front the fighting was normal.

"On the night of the 14-15th, movement of troops within the enemy's lines of communication was bombarded effectively by our airplanes. An hostile airplane was brought down by British airmen near Ornello and one of our airmen accounted for another machine west of the Seen valley."

**Turks Occupy Islands**  
LONDON, Dec. 17.—British Admiralty per Wireless Press.—The occupation by the Turks of two islands off the coast of Asia Minor is announced in an official statement issued yesterday at Constantinople.

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
The December meeting of the county commissioners was held at the court house this morning. The business was merely routine nature was transacted. A number of residents of Billerica were present and petitioned the commissioners to relocate a road which the state is now working on near Carlisle street and which runs to the old bridge in the town known as Sprague's bridge. Another petition asked that a winding road in the center of the town be straightened out.

**TODAY**  
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"FOR BETTER FILMS"  
"WHO IS NUMBER ONE"  
A Paramount Serial.  
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Starring KATHLEEN CLIFFORD

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## BROADWAY CLUB TO PLAY SANTA CLAUS

At a largely attended meeting of the Broadway Social and Athletic club, held at the rooms yesterday afternoon, it was voted that the club play Santa Claus to a number of children in the neighborhood of the club rooms. Pres. Timothy P. O'Sullivan presided. The club has voted to have a Christmas tree on the holiday, and to entertain the youngsters from 1 to 3 o'clock. Each kiddie present will get a real introduction to St. Nicholas himself, who has promised to be present, and there will be gifts and candy for all. The meeting of the club yesterday was of especial interest as the date on which the charter for new members closed. The club has nearly a score of men now serving the United States. Recently it was voted to "exempt" the

## SNOW STORM WILL COST CITY \$8000

Commissioner Morse says that last week's storm will cost the city about \$8000. At present there are 21 double teams hauling the snow from the streets, while 21 single teams are being used in carting sand to the various districts of the city. Two road scrapers, one owned by the city and the other hired from H. W. Tarbell, are being used to scrape the snow from the car tracks, while 192 men are shoveling. Mr. Morse says that the \$8,000 expended for the removal of snow will greatly reduce his maintenance fund.

**Christmas Vacation**  
The Christmas vacation, affecting all the public schools, day, evening, and vocational, will begin Monday, Dec. 24, and will extend until Wednesday, Jan. 2. Christmas exercises will be held in the schools Friday, Dec. 21, which, by the way, will be the shortest day of the year.

**Haltax Relief Fund**  
The following additional subscriptions towards the Massachusetts Haltax Relief fund were announced by Mayor O'Donnell this morning:

Frank S. Hunt	\$10.00
Mary Murray	1.00
S. J. Garrett	1.00
N. Y. Z.	1.00

**PURE COD LIVER OIL**  
From the Norway fisheries,  
1/2 pint ..... **50c**

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Pressed by the cold process,  
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Made from hand picked olives,  
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The perfect remedy for constipation. Pint.... **75c**

Free City Motor Delivery  
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**THIS WEEK**  
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**MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY**  
Lowell's Popular Star  
**JUNE ELVIDGE**  
In the World Film Production  
**"THE TENTH CASE"**  
In Six Acts  
**WM. FOX OFFERS William Farnum**  
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**CROWN THEATRE** TODAY AND TUESDAY  
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Her husband gave "the other woman" her life's happiness was crushed. One of the thrilling moments in the Triangle feature—  
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Starring BELLE BENNETT  
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—and—  
**HOUSE COATS**  
SMART CUT HOUSE COATS  
—made from reversible cloths, collars, pockets and cuffs in the neat contrasting plaids of the reverse side of the cloth—Entirely new selection, in dark gray, brown, blue and green,  
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## GERMANS SINK 14 SHIPS

MISS VARNEY'S COUNSEL  
PLEADS FOR ACQUITTAL

DEDDHAM, Dec. 17.—When the curtain rises on the second act of this drama, another face will be there," shouted counsel for the defense in summing up today in the trial of Harriet A. Varney, accused of having murdered the wife of the man she loved, Mrs. Pauline A. Keyes. Later coming to the part which the husband, George H. Keyes, had taken in the prosecution of his former companion, Attorney David H. O'Connell demanded to know why the state had taken the trouble to attack a defense of Keyes. "Oh, God," he added "an alibi for that man."

The concluding plea added another unusual scene to an extraordinary trial. Keyes was a man of the highest intelligence and apparently very friendly up to the time that her trial began. Then Keyes became the witness for the state and the defense made its greatest effort to show that the defendant had been wholly under his influence.

CLOSE PLANTS TO SUPPLY  
HOMES WITH COAL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Authority to shut down industries, if necessary, to supply home holders with coal, was granted by the fuel administration today to W. K. Prudden, federal fuel administrator for Michigan. Many Michigan cities are said to be almost entirely without supplies for domestic needs.

NEWS OF THE DAY IN  
THE POLICE COURT

George Judson, aged 27 years, a parolee from the Massachusetts reformatory, was arraigned before the "Blood and Iron" policy.

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The store is just a vast gift bazaar giving expression to the Yuletide spirit in terms of merchandise and displays. It seems to have a supernatural gift that never stops putting back fresh goods as fast as others are sold out.

Shop earlier this Christmas.

Interest Begins Jan. 12th

liness of her present life, she wept. The attorney, referring to the anonymous note received by Keyes after his wife had been killed and which intimated that a woman had done the murder, said:

"Keyes was back at his old haunts on Massachusetts avenue. He received the letter there. It was there that he claims Miss Varney came and took possession of his bed and he slept on the couch."

Mr. Kingston, employed by the government as an honest man, he said the same hand wrote that note which Keyes sent to Miss Varney. That girl has been in jail since June 23. She was in jail when the letter was written, and you may be sure every letter that goes out of jail is carefully scrutinized.

"The nearest state has placed Miss Varney to the scene of the murder was at the Huntington avenue station. After the murder or suicide she met Keyes and went to lunch with him. She ate and he did not. Who was nervous?"

After referring to Miss Varney's alleged attempt at suicide in New York after Keyes had refused to marry her, the attorney declared that she never knew he was married to Pauline A. Keyes.

Concluding his plea, Mr. O'Connell said:

"How could Harriet Varney kill Pauline Keyes if she never owned a revolver. The state assigns the motive as jealousy. Why should she be jealous? Motive is a mere word. Opportunity none and she is entitled to protection."

Judge Enright in police court this morning, on a complaint charging him with drunkenness. He was also suspected of the larceny of a fur lined overcoat with Persian lamb collar, and this morning, Kennedy B. Butler, of the Manufacturers Paper company, of 42d street, New York, arrived in Lowell and identified the coat found in Judson's possession as one which had been stolen from his summer home at Montville, Conn., several weeks ago.

Judson was committed to the reformatory after being found guilty of a serious crime, but recently was placed on parole. One week ago Saturday night, he was endeavoring to dispose of a fur lined overcoat in a second hand clothing store on Middlesex street, when Special Officers Moore and Cooney and Patrolman Frank Donovan came across him and sent him to jail.

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Raiders Attack Convoy in North  
Sea, Sinking 11 Vessels---3  
Sent Down Off Tyne

LONDON, Dec. 17.—One British and five neutral merchantmen, a British destroyer and four mine sweepers have been sunk in the North sea by German naval forces. The losses were the result of an attack on a convoy bound from Scotland to Norway, Sir Eric Geddes, first lord of the admiralty, announced today. The total tonnage of the lost merchantmen was 8000.

Eighty-eight Scandinavians, two of whom are women and ten British, were rescued by four British destroyers detached from a cruiser squadron which was hastened to the scene. Other survivors reached Norway in boats and two of the escorting British destroyers: Five Norwegian, three Swedish and one Danish vessel were sunk without warning. Three other merchantmen escaping. The raiders were armed heavily, and succeeded in evading the British watchers on the return as well as the outward trip.

## THREE MORE SHIPS SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Two neutral merchant vessels and a trawler were sunk off the Tyne on Dec. 12 by German destroyers, Thomas J. McNamara, financial secretary to the admiralty, announced in the house of commons today.

Red Cross Nation Wide Drive  
for 15,000,000 Members  
Starts Today--The Program

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—The great American Red Cross drive starts today.

It is nation-wide and every city, town and hamlet is a Red Cross recruiting centre.

Its goal is fifteen million members. Not money, but men and women are wanted.

No field service is required of these new members.

It is their enthusiasm, loyalty and backing that is desired.

The drive lasts eight days, closing on Christmas eve.

Nothing less than 15,000,000 new members will satisfy officials of Red Cross who planned this membership drive and who now are directing the eight-day campaign.

At least one member in every American home is hoped for, and in hundreds of thousands of homes whole families will be enlisted under the Red Cross banner.

This will mean more knitting for soldiers and sailors, more woolen socks, helmets and sweaters; more bandages and other hospital supplies. That spells more comfort for our fighting boys in training over here and in trenches "over there."

Every local chapter has been instructed and prepared for this drive. Systematic canvasses of homes and business establishments will be made in the effort to obtain members. Public meetings will be held each day and evening in all cities.

Tuesday is civil employees' day. Mayors are asked to issue proclamations and Red Cross flags are to be raised on all municipal buildings to remain during the drive.

Wednesday is women's day, on which special tribute will be paid to the work which women are doing in Red Cross. The house to house canvass will reach its height this day.

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ARMY AND NAVY  
YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION  
WITH THE COLONY

October 2, 1917

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Dear friends,  
Thinking of your good  
words of distributing things among  
the soldiers that are needed, would  
like to know if you can help  
me out a little, as I am a boy  
from New York and am in  
need of a sweater, and a couple  
things as most all of my boys  
had to go home to help out there.  
So if you could please help me  
out with these things I am  
sure it would be highly  
appreciated by me.  
Thanking you in advance.  
20th St. Remain  
- your Soldier friend  
E. J. [Signature] 18th St. N.Y.C.

The above letter is one of thousands the Red Cross has received from American soldiers and sailors in service abroad and in training at home. This boy writes from the Y. M. C. A. room at Plattsburg, N. Y.

which Boy Scouts will go over the top for Red Cross members.

Monday is Red Cross Christmas ceremony day. At 7:30 on Christmas eve, Christmas sermons on the Red Cross

the past week or so and the only thing that will prevent the men from starting in tomorrow will be a sudden spell of warm weather or a big snow storm. Only a small number of men will be employed at first in the work, but as the season progresses more will be taken on and at the height of the ice season as many as 300 men are often employed. An early start on next year's ice crop will have been gained if the work begins tomorrow.

If you want to buy, sell or exchange anything try a Sun want ad.

DETAILS OF CAPTURE AND  
ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM

LONDON, Dec. 17.—A bayonet charge by London troops against Turks and German colonists, who had machine guns, was the climax of Gen. Allenby's drive that forced the surrender of Jerusalem, the survivors bolting to either side of the town. Their losses were enormous.

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## MEANS FOUND NOT GUILTY

CONCORD, N. C., Dec. 17.—Gaston B. Means was found not guilty here yesterday of the murder of Mrs. Maude A. King.

The jury received the case Saturday night, but after two hours of deliberation, announced that a verdict would not be returned until yesterday. Mrs. King, a wealthy widow, was killed at Blackveiler spring, a lonely spot in the country near here, on Aug. 29 last, when with Means and a party of his friends, she had stopped on an automobile drive to practice pistol shooting. She and Means were alone at the time, Capt. W. S. Eingham and Afion Means, a brother of Gaston, having walked down the road to shoot rabbits.

A coroner's inquest accepted the statement of Gaston Means that he shot herself accidentally. After her body was taken to Chicago for burial, however, the coroner's physician there declared that the wound in the back of the head could not have been self-inflicted. The investigation shifted to New York, where Mrs. King had resided for several years and where Means had handled her business affairs.

There a search of the apartments of Mrs. King and her sister, and those of Mr. and Mrs. Gaston Means, disclosed, according to New York officials, that Means had misappropriated the woman's money, and also that he was connected with German agents. Mrs. King had inherited approximately \$1,000,000 from her second husband, the late James C. King of Chicago, and during the trial New York and Chicago witnesses declared nearly all of this sum had "vanished" during the time Means was connected with the woman's affairs.

North Carolina officials reopened the investigation and at a hearing here last September Means was bound over to the grand jury and indicted. At his trial, which began here Nov. 26, the state contended that Means had looted the woman's fortune and killed her to escape an accounting.

The defense contended the woman's death was accidental, that she stumbled, fractured her ankle, fell and fired the pistol.

A small crowd, which had been attracted by the reports that the jury had called for Judge Cluse, was in court when the verdict was announced, but after court had adjourned Means was given an impromptu reception, relatives, friends and members of his counsel surrounding him to shake his hand and offer congratulations.

LOMASNEY COMES OUT FOR PETERS

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Martin M. Lomasney, a leader in democratic politics, announced last night that he would support Andrew J. Peters for mayor in the city election Tuesday.

Mr. Lomasney is generally conceded to have a following of several thousand voters, but supporters of the other four candidates said that the contest this year was so bitter and complicated that they believed his stand would not affect them.

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Political prophets acknowledged themselves baffled yesterday in efforts to pick the winner of this city's mayoralty contest next



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## K. OF C. COMMITTEE ON WAR ACTIVITIES

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 17.—That arrangements have been made with the American military authorities in France for social, recreational and religious work among the soldiers of the expeditionary forces, by the Knights of Columbus, representing the Catholic people of this country, is the word which the Knights of Columbus committee on war activities has received from Walter N. Kernan, who is representing the organization abroad. Mr. Kernan will arrive in America in the near future to complete certain details of the work and to enlist the services of a large number of field secretaries and auxiliary chaplains for foreign service.

Mr. Kernan went to France about two months ago, resigning as vice-president and general counsel of the New York State railways and Marwick Valley company, to devote himself to the Knights of Columbus recreation work among Uncle Sam's fighting forces. He is a resident of Union, N. Y., and New York City. En route to France, he stopped in England where such well known English Catholics as Edward Hyde, head of the Catholic society, his son-in-law, Lord Compton and Lord Vincent Warburg, of the Catholic Encyclopedia, expressed themselves as being greatly interested in this Catholic social work.

"Our work abroad will probably exceed that which we are doing for the soldiers and sailors in this country," says Col. P. H. Callahan, chairman of the Knights of Columbus committee on war activities, "for it stands to reason that once the American soldiers are placed on foreign soil, there will be more need to surround them with proper recreational, social and religious facilities. Our budget of expenditures for the current year in this country will be considerably more than \$1,000,000 and it is bound to be much higher in Europe. However, we

expect to see our foreign work through to completion and will not stop at expenses being equivalent to the loss of the Eight Knights of Columbus chaplains are now serving in France and this number will be greatly increased. Knights of Columbus recreation buildings will be erected wherever they are needed for the convenience of the American troops abroad, and the work done on French soil will in every respect duplicate that which is being accomplished under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus in the camps, forts and cantonments of the United States.

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"The first shell hit the vessel forward of the mainmast and she fired 10 shots before we left the craft. We rowed a short distance from the vessel, while the submarine continued to shell our ship. She fired about 15 shots in all.

"The submarine came alongside our boat and the man who appeared to command spoke English with a pronounced American accent. He asked the name of the ship, cargo carried, name of master and vessel's papers. He then told us to go about our business.

ness got underway, steamed toward the vessel and commenced firing again. The vessel sank in about an hour after the submarine was sighted.

"The wind increased in force so that we had to put out a drag. It then became a gale, so severe that it now seems impossible that the boat could have lived through it. At 4 p. m. on the 17th the gale abated and the water became fine.

"We made sail and proceeded toward land, where we arrived on the morning of the 18th at Mugal, Spain. Some of the men suffered considerably from exposure. We were treated finely by the people where we landed and all hands rapidly recuperated. We proceeded to Corruna on Oct. 21, where

we remained for a month before embarking for New York."

The Righter was owned by the Shepard Morse Lumber company and was laden with lubricating oil for France.

NAME OF TAUNTON MAN ON LATEST CANADIAN CASUALTY LIST

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 17.—The latest Canadian overseas casualty list includes the name of T. Russell, Taunton, Mass., wounded.

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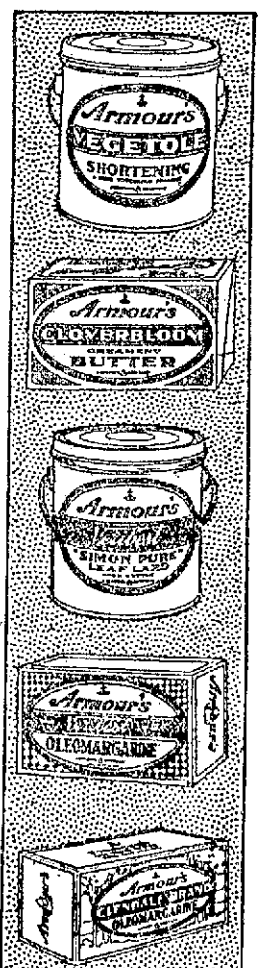
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## MYSTERIOUS PERMISSION TO USE RIOT GUNS IN RAID TO BOSTON BOYS AT AYER AT BRIDGEPORT

CAMP DEVENS, Ayer, Dec. 17.—A telegram was received at division headquarters yesterday from the war department stating that there is no objection in that department to granting permission to the Boston regiment to go to Boston next Tuesday night, to parade for the Civil and Spanish war veterans.

This was the first news that either headquarters or the regiment had of any parade of veterans in Boston on election day, and there was no information available last night as to whether Brig. Gen. William Weigel, commanding the division will allow the regiment a day off from its military training.

The wording of the telegram was not given to the press. It was stated, however, that in substance the telegram says that the Civil and Spanish war veterans wanted the 301st Infantry, "Boston's Own," to parade in Boston, Dec. 18, and that the war department had no objections provided there was no expense to the government involved.

Unofficial inquiries brought no news of a parade for Civil war veterans and only the news that there is a celebration of the army of the Philippines scheduled to be held Tuesday night at the old Franklin schoolhouse on Washington street, South End.

### Men Excited Over Election

Camp Devens does not know, however, that next Tuesday settles one of the hottest political campaigns Boston has ever known; and the 1700 Boston men of the 301st Infantry are excited over the possibility of being in on it.

Whenever permission was asked to have draftees leave camp to participate in the state election or in elections in other cities throughout Massachusetts it was always denied on the ground that the war department had ruled that no man should be given leave to go home to vote.

It is known also that appeals have come from Boston to this division asking that Boston men be allowed to come home to vote, and each request has met with refusal on the ground of the war department ruling.

The telegram from the adjutant general at the war department makes no mention of an election.

Officially it is simply a coincidence, apparently, that "Civil and Spanish war veterans" are planning a celebration Tuesday night, and that the 301st Infantry is to be in Boston on that day. Like to have Boston's Own on hand. If Boston's Own does go down to Boston for a parade Tuesday there is scant doubt but what the rookies will find time to be themselves to ballot boxes.

### Who Will Pay the Fare?

There have been things enough to keep the coming election alive in the minds of the recruits of the 301st Infantry, beside the newspaper reports. Both Mayor Curley and Congressman Gallivan have paid visits to the regiment within the last two months, the mayor of the regiment and prominent citizens of Boston flag and civilian paying a friendly call.

Neither candidate addressed the soldiers on the election, but during the visits of each there were impromptu shouts from the ranks of "Curley for governor," "Hurrah for Jim Curley," or "Hurrah for Jimmie Gallivan."

There was also a visit to the regiment several weeks ago by supporters of Mayor Curley, who brought nomination papers which were signed by soldiers.

Now the big unsettled question among the rookies is as to whether the telegram from the war department means also that the division command means will think it possible to dismiss the regiment from its drill and instruction for the day. There is also the question as to whether the railroad situation would make it possible to furnish special trains for the regiment.

Another question on which there is no light here is: Who will pay the fares of the soldiers?

And also that question: "What parade is this that is being planned by veterans in Boston?"

## 17 U. S. ENGINEERS ARE MISSING

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Seventeen enlisted men of the United States Army Engineer Corps were reported missing in action by Gen. Pershing in a dispatch yesterday to the war department.

They were missing Nov. 30, the day of the German turning movement at Cambrai, and are believed to have fallen into the hands of the Germans while fighting valiantly with the engineer contingent which distinguished itself helping the British to check the attack.

The missing men, with their emergency addresses, are: SERGEANT PAUL M. SWENSON; mother, Mrs. J. E. Swenson, New York city; FRANK E. UPSON, wife, Mrs. Jane Upson, New York city; SOLOMON GOLDWETTER; friend, Miss Rose Perlstein, New York city; GEORGE H. H. SEAMAN; mother, Mrs. Anna Seaman, Woodhaven, L. I., New York.

DANIEL RANLET; father, Daniel M. Ranlet, Corona, N. Y.; CHARLES A. GEORGEHAN; mother, Mrs. Michael Georgehan, New York.

EROLD T. ANDREWS; uncle, Frank Bradford, Portland, Me.; ALPHONSO J. McGRATH; relative, Thomas McGrath, Chestnut Hill, Mass.

YRON VAN DE MARK; mother, Mrs. A. R. Van de Mark, New Paltz, N. Y.

FRANK BROOKS; sister, Mrs. B. Warshovsky, New York city; URGENT N. MANN; father, John M. Mann, New York city.

ALAN M. LATTY; father, Michael Latty, Golden Bridge, N. Y.; LUKE A. LOVELY; father, Thomas Lovely, South Amherst, N. Y.

FRANK J. MASON; mother, Mrs. C. Mason, Jersey City, N. J.; MICHAEL DINA; father, James Dina, New York city.

PETER J. TINGO; mother, Mrs. Anthony Tingo, New York city; HERBERT F. UELTZ; mother, Mrs. A. Karl, Newark, N. J.

## STOP COUGHING

The simplest and best way to stop coughs, is to take

Foley's Honey and Tar

You get the curative influence of the pine balsam together with the mollifying effect of the honey, and other healing ingredients. It leaves a soothing coating on the inflamed tickling throat, raises phlegm easily and puts a quick end to hard wearing coughs.

R. F. Hall, M.D., writes: "One bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar stopped a troublesome bronchial cough which had bothered me for fifteen years." Your dealer sells it. Try it.

Falls & Burkhushaw, 418 Middlesex St., Moody's Drug Store, 301 Central St.

## RESCUE WOMEN IN BED AT EVERETT FIRE

EVERETT, Dec. 17.—Two women confined to their beds were rescued yesterday afternoon during a fire in the three-story wooden dwelling house at 24 High street. The damage is estimated at \$2000.

The women were Mrs. Thomas P. Burke, who was saved from the first floor, and Mrs. John O. P. Davis on the second floor. They were taken respectively to the homes of Mrs. Catherine P. Freely and to Charles B. Ladd near by.

The house is owned by Mrs. Abbie T. Ellman.

The fire had gained great headway before the fire apparatus arrived, despite the efforts of the occupants of the house to stop it by an improvised bucket brigade. It worked its way inside the walls of the house and huge billows of smoke rolled over the hill, attracting about 500 to the scene.

The fire started from an overheated furnace.

FRENCH PREMIER THREATENED TO QUIT IF CAILLAUX IMMUNITY WAS NOT WAIVED

PARIS, Dec. 17.—Premier Clemenceau appeared today for the second time before the committee of deputies examining the Caillaux case and de-

clared that if the former premier's immunity was not waived the government would not remain in power another hour. The committee then decided to waive parliament immunity. Nine of the 11 members voted favorably, while two refused to vote.

SWISS GOVERNMENT HAS RATIFIED AGREEMENT WITH UNITED STATES

BERNE, Switzerland, Dec. 17.—The Swiss government has ratified an agreement with the United States by which the American government will furnish Switzerland 21,000 cars of wheat and 30,000 cars of other cereals, corn and sugar.

Henry Clay Barnabee, "Sheriff of Nottingham" in "Robin Hood," is dead.

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—Henry Clay Barnabee, familiar to thousands of playgoers as the "Sheriff of Nottingham" in de Koven's comic opera, "Robin Hood," died at his home in the Jamaica Plain district today after a long illness. He was 84 years old.

Mr. Barnabee was seriously injured by a fall a few months ago. For some time he hovered between life and death in a private hospital, but recently his condition improved and he was able to return to his home.

Even during the suffering of his last days, the famous operatic comedian never lost the spirit of cheerfulness that marked his career on the stage. A newspaper reporter who in-

terviewed him a few weeks ago found him in a jovial mood. Sitting upright in bed, with his head thrown back and his eyes closed, Mr. Barnabee sang the rollicking song, "I am the Sheriff of Nottingham," with much of his old-time zest; the deep, sonorous tones echoing through the hospital.

The funeral service will be held here Tuesday. Burial will be in Forest Hills, N. H.

7-20-4

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To Purchase Beautiful and Useful

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Men like things best from a man's store, and with our greatly increased stock the ladies find this the place to buy and avoid the crowds—A great big stock of all fresh and new goods, moderately priced; makes this store headquarters and your Christmas shopping simple. A cordial invitation is extended to all to make our beautiful new store their headquarters.



GLOVES ..... 25c to \$6.00

Always acceptable, we are fortunate in showing the most remarkable values in all styles.

Mochas, in tan and gray, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.00

Lined Kids and Mochas.....\$1.00 to \$2.50

Wool Gloves and Mittens.....25c to \$1.00

Fur Lined Gloves, in tan.....\$6.00

HOSIERY ..... 25c to \$1.00

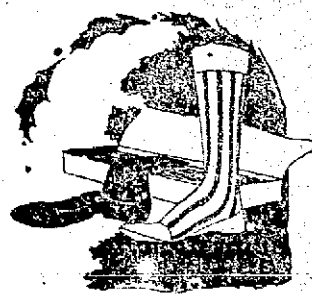
A practical Christmas gift for any man. Prices reasonable.

Men's Lisle Hose, all colors.... 25c and 35c

Men's Silk Hose..... 50c and \$1.00

Wool Hose..... 25c, 35c and 60c

Cashmere Hose..... 25c and 35c



## Gift Suggestions

Suspenders..... 25c to \$1.00

Belts ..... 25c to \$1.00

Boston Garters..... 25c and 50c

Sweaters..... \$2.00 to \$10.00

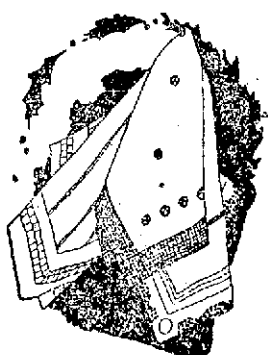
Men's Fur Caps... \$2.50, \$3.00, \$5.00

Soft Hats..... \$2.00 to \$3.50

Derbies..... \$2.50 and \$3.00

Gift Boxes for Christmas Purchases

Free for Asking.



MEN'S INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS

15c

25c

50c

Ladies' Handkerchiefs

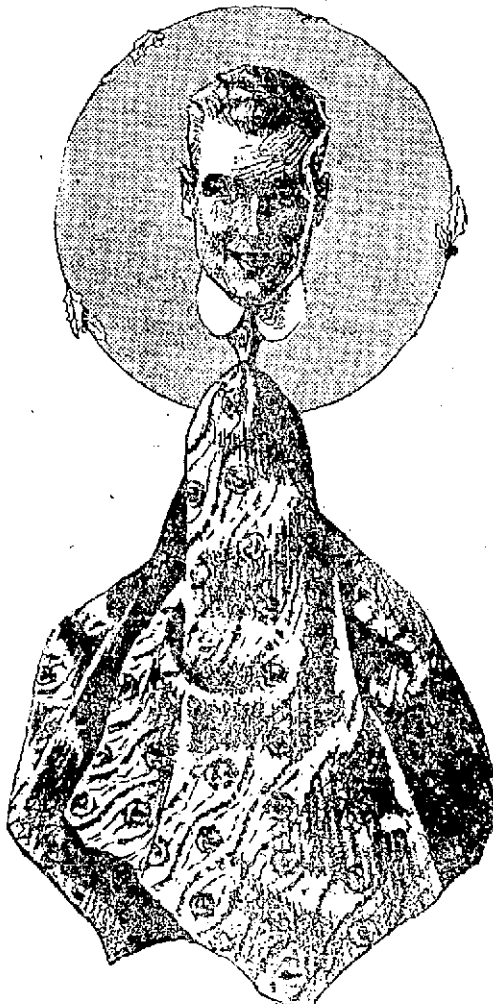
50c, \$1, \$1.50 a box



BELL BLOUSES

50c

All Colors



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Suit Cases..... \$3.00 to \$8.00

Club Bags..... \$5.00 to \$8.00

Umbrellas..... \$1.00 to \$5.00

Pajamas ..... \$1.00 to \$3.00

Underwear, all kinds... \$1.00 to \$3.00

Union Suits..... \$1.00 to \$5.00

Bath Robes..... \$3.50 to \$10.00

Mufflers..... 50c to \$5.00

Shirts, new patterns, soft cuffs, extra value..... \$1.50 and \$2.00

SHIRTS

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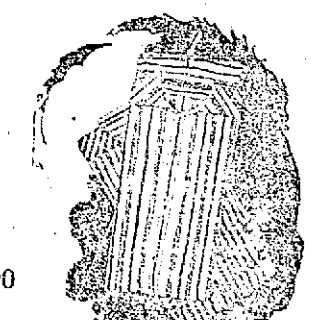
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Fine Silk Cravats, smart designs, \$1.00 and \$1.50

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## Good Things to Give Boys

Mackinaws.... \$5.00 to \$10.00

Black Rubber Coats..... \$3.50

Juvenile Suits..... \$5.00

Juvenile Overcoats, \$5 to \$10

Hockey Caps..... 50c

Trench Coats.... \$8.50 to \$15.00

Scotch Tweed Suits..... \$10.00

Sweaters..... \$1.50 to \$6.00

Neckwear..... 25c to 50c

Belts..... 25c to 50c

Thrift Club Checks and Liberty Bonds Taken.

Talbot's

American House Block

Central, at Warren St.

Talbot's



# PRECINCT OFFICERS MAY NOT GET MORE THAN \$3 A DAY—THINK OF IT!

The precinct officers, who were on duty in the various polls of the city election day will not receive \$10 for their services as recommended by Commissioner Brown, but it may be that their pay will be increased from \$6 to \$7 or \$8.

A motion was passed at the last meeting of the council authorizing the commissioner of finance to pay the precinct officers \$10 for their last day's work, providing there was enough money in the election department fund, but after a tabulation of the figures, the city auditor found that it would be impossible to pay that amount, which would represent \$386, but there is enough money to increase the pay one or two dollars. Final action will be taken at tomorrow's meeting of the municipal council.

## DEATHS

**BASSON**—Charles Basson, aged 33 years, died Saturday at the state infirmary in Newbury. He leaves one brother in Boston. The body was removed to the undertaking rooms of Undertakers Amedeo Archambault & Sons.

**CABLE**—Blanche Cable, child of Alfred and Rebecca Cable, died Saturday night at the home of her parents, 64 Dutton street, aged 8 months and 2 days. Burial took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in St. Joseph's cemetery. Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son in charge.

**ROCK**—George Rock, aged 1 month and 7 days, infant son of Simon and Philomena Rock, died Saturday night at the home of her parents, 23 Lilley avenue. Burial took place yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in St. Joseph's cemetery. Undertakers Joseph Albert & Son in charge.

**CHAPMAN**—Mrs. Abbie Reed Chapman, wife of George Herbert Chapman, died yesterday at her home, 7 Putnam avenue. She leaves, beside her husband, one son, George Herbert, Jr.

**MCFARLAND**—Catherine McFarland died Saturday afternoon in St. John's hospital. She leaves her husband.



## JUST A REMINDER HOUR SPECIALS

### TONIGHT

7 TO 8 P. M.  
25c PURITY OATS  
22c PACKAGE

Tuesday Hour Sales  
8 TO 9 A. M.  
WHITE FLOATING SOAP  
3 BARS 10c

9 TO 10 A. M.  
MON. KIDNEY BEANS  
2 for 25c

10 TO 11 A. M.  
BAKER'S 25c COCOA, 18c

10 TO 11 A. M.  
SHORE HADDOCK  
9c Pound

5 TO 6 P. M.  
MINGED HAM, 17c Pound

## FAIRBURN'S

MERRIMACK SQUARE

"Where You Wait For Your Car."

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE for sale: beds, sewing machine, bicycle, etc. Wm. Morris, 47 South Whipple st.

## HOW I CAME TO BE A HOBBYHORSE

FIRST I WAS A TREE AND THEN A BIG LOG OF WOOD.



The man in the picture above is carving me out of wood. Before I came to him I was nothing but a log of wood, cut from a tree. He sawed me up, shaping my legs and head and body. Then he nailed me together. It took him longer to make my head than all the rest of me, poking holes for nostrils and eyes. When I got to the age where you

see me in the picture I was about ready for the man who gives me my nice new coat of dapple gray and the lady who put my saddle and bridle on me.

The man who makes me doesn't do anything all year but carve out hobbyhorses like me for good little boys to ride.

(Continued Tomorrow.)

**FREDERICK McFarland**, and one son, Thomas Daniels. The body was removed to the rooms of Undertakers C. H. Molloy & Sons.

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**MARTIN**—Balbina Martin, aged 2 years, 9 months, died Saturday night at the home of her parents, Manuel and Maria Martin, 53 Midland street.

**CALAN**—Died at the home of his parents, P. Frank and Mary Roagan Calan, 180 Church street. William James Calan, aged five months. Funeral notice later.

**THIRIAULT**—Cecile, aged one month, died today at the home of her parents, Donat and Bernadette Thirault, 61 Chestnut street. The body was removed to the funeral parlors of Undertakers C. H. Molloy & Sons.

**WOOD**—William H. Wood, Jr., aged 11 years and 11 months, died this morning at St. John's hospital. He leaves, besides his parents, William H. and Katherine Wood, two brothers, Richard and Robert and one sister, Irene. The body was removed to the home of his parents, 212 Westford street, by Undertakers Higgins brothers.

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**GEORGE F. H. ROGERS**, Dec. 6, 1917. His smiling face and kindly ways are pleasant to recall. He had a loving word for each. And died beloved by all. 'Twas for our flag he died, then let his name be blazoned on our patriot's scroll of fame. A. C. M.

## FUNERALS

**FAYTON**—The funeral services of Thomas Fayton took place at his home in Billerica Center yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. William L. Walsh, pastor of the Unitarian church of Billerica Center, officiating. The bearers were Messrs. W. H. Bass, Clarence Bowman, Fred P. Pascho and William I. Pascho. Burial was in the family lot in the Fox Hill cemetery, where the service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Walsh. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers Young & Blake.

**MORRIS**—The funeral services of John S. Morris were held at the rooms of Undertaker George W. Healey, 79 Branch street, yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Henry I. Bailey, pastor of the Highland M. E. church. The following named delegation represented Highland council, 970, Roy-

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**MURPHY**—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen J. Murphy took place this morning at 8 o'clock from her late home, 163 Chestnut street and was largely attended by friends. The funeral cortege consisted of St. Peter's church where at 9 o'clock a high mass of requiem was said in St. Patrick's cemetery. There were many large and beautiful tributes and eulogies. The bearers were Eugene Robitaille, Jeremiah White, Charles R. Quinn and James J. Murphy. The funeral was under the direction of Undertakers M. H. McDonough & Sons in charge.

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TAUPE CONEY SCARFS, animal shape ..... \$5.98

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## SETS and MUFFS

\$50.00 Taupe Fox Set. Animal shape scarf and smart muff.	\$39.50	Black Fox Scarfs. \$18 value	\$13.75	\$25.00 Black Wolf Scarfs	\$18.50	\$30.00 Taupe Wolf Scarfs	\$22.50
\$40.00 Red Fox Set. Smart style animal scarf and muff.	\$29.50	\$25 Black Fox Muffs	\$18.50	\$30.00 Black Wolf Scarf	\$19.98	\$40.00 Taupe Wolf Scarfs	\$26.50
\$50.00 Polart Fox Sets. New style neck piece and muff	\$39.50	\$25.00 Natural Raccoon Muffs	\$15.00	Lynx Scarf	\$29.50	\$35.00 Taupe Wolf Muffs	\$25.00
		\$15.00 Natural Raccoon Scarfs	\$11.50	Skunk Throw	\$37.50	\$40.00 Taupe Wolf Muff	\$29.50
		\$18.00 Black Wolf Scarfs	\$12.50	\$50.00 Natural Skunk Large Muff	\$35.00		

Full model; finished with belt and large collar; turned back cuffs, nicely lined. Limited quantity. Cut Price ..... \$63.50

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Hundreds Stylish New Striped Taffeta Waists—\$2.98, \$3.98 to \$5.98

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Beautiful Patterns and Styles

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Crepe de Chine—  
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## FUNERAL NOTICES

**CALAN**—The funeral of William James Calan, infant son of P. Frank and Mary Roagan Calan, will take place tomorrow afternoon at 2 p. m. from the undertaking rooms of Calan Bros., 180 Church street. Burial will take place in the family lot in St. Patrick's cemetery.

**CHAPMAN**—Died at her home, No. 7 Putnam avenue, Dec. 16, Mrs. Abbie Reed Chapman, wife of George Herbert Chapman, one son, George Herbert, Jr. Funeral services Wednesday, Dec. 19, at 2 o'clock from her home, No. 7 Putnam avenue. Friends invited without further notice. Friends will please omit flowers. Funeral arrangements in charge of Undertaker J. A. Weinbeck.

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## SUN BREVITIES

Best Printing, Tobin's Asso. Bldg. Hutchins Rubber Store, 214 Merrimack st., opp. St. Anne's church.

A telephone alarm at 5:55 o'clock this morning summoned the protective and hose 7 to a slight blaze in the Tilden property at the corner of Central and Temple streets. The blaze was extinguished before much damage was done.

Mrs. Charles A. Stevens of this city received a cablegram yesterday from her husband, Maj. Charles A. Stevens, who is now in France, saying that Congressmen had passed a bill to honor him. The cablegram was dated Saturday.

Frank J. McCann, son of John McCann of 135 Aiken avenue, has enlisted as a draftsman in the U. S. Aviation corps, and left last Friday for Fort Monmouth, N. J. He is a graduate of Lowell high school and Wentworth Institute, Boston.

At 12:25 o'clock this afternoon the members of Engine 2 were called to 80 Walker street, but upon arriving the only fire that could be found was in a stove. Owing to a defective draft the smoke filled the house and word was telephoned to the central fire station.

Stanislava Montra, residing in Lakeview avenue, was struck by a falling plank while at work at the Appleton mill shortly before 7 o'clock this morning and suffered fractures about the head and arms. The ambulance was summoned and she was removed to the Lowell Corporation hospital.

Persons who have occasion to visit the Red Cross headquarters in Market street in automobiles, are asked to alight from their machines in Market street and not within the yard of the Ribelow-Hartford plant, as has been the custom hitherto. The congestion in the yard due to the installation of new machinery in the mill is the reason for the request.

Arthur J. Brunelle, formerly with the Merrimack Clothing company and later with the Larrabee-Raymond company in Central street, has accepted a position as salesman with the Richards Clothes shop in Central street, and started in on his new duties today. Mr. Brunelle has had abundant experience in the clothing business and will no doubt prove a valuable addition to Manager Sheehan's staff in Lowell's new clothing store.

Funeral Director James W. McKenna in charge of arrangements.

**CULLINAN**—The funeral of Mrs. Gertrude Herrick Cullinan, formerly of Lowell took place Sunday afternoon from her late home in Brockton. She leaves her husband, two sons, Fred and Ralph, and a daughter, Gertrude. Mrs. Cullinan had been in failing health for some time. She was a beautiful character and dearly loved by all who knew her. Rev. Fr. Heffernan officiated at the grave. Burial took place in St. Patrick's cemetery, Lowell.

## POLICE COURT

Continued

him to the police station where he was booked for drunkenness and suspicion of larceny.

He told one of the officers that he had been in the coat in Worcester, told another that he had been in Lowell, and when put through the "third degree" in the police station said that he purchased it for \$7 from a man in Lowell.

When the coat was examined the name of the maker was found on a tag in one of the inner pockets and the local police communicated with the tailors and learned that the garment, valued at about \$150, had been sold to Mr. Fullerton. Mr. Fullerton was subsequently notified and yesterday he wired the local police that he would be in Lowell this morning.

Mr. Fullerton appeared in court on time and after identifying the coat as belonging to him, said that his summer home is in Montville, Conn., has been broken into recently and a number of articles, including the overcoat, had been stolen. He said that he was of the opinion that there were two men connected with the crime, one of the men, who is still at large, being familiar with the premises.

Inasmuch as the only complaint against Fullerton was that of drunkenness, he was given a sentence of six months in the house of correction, the sentence to take effect after the expiration of his present term of imprisonment.

**Other Offenders**  
George Monjia pleaded guilty to complaints charging him with drunkenness and larceny of articles from the A. G. Pollard Co. and J. L. Chaffoux Co. By agreement the cases were continued until Saturday, the defendant being held under \$100 bonds for his appearance at that time.

Robert C. Sargent, who was caught delivering liquor to soldiers at a dancing party Saturday night, was sentenced to ten days in jail. George Martin, drunkenness, was called out, his case was continued until Saturday. Eugene Michaud was ordered to pay a fine of \$10. Fourteen first offenders were released by the probation officer.

**MANY LAWYERS PRESENT AT MEETING OF ADVISORY BOARD AT CITY HALL.**

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James Androweas, Geo. Androweas, Syrrus Hondros, James Petrek, Thomas Kessaris, George Kerpas, John Pappas, Harry Phumas, Peter Pappas, Louis Pantia, Panta Thuo, George Braten, Apostolos Phipps, Nicholas Kordis, William Magues, Vais Asimopoulos, Nicholas Costas, Costas Pappas, Peter Janos, James Poulos, James Rallis, Louis Popper, Theodoros Tagles, Paul Gulos, George Costas, Demetrios Gargalos, Theodoros Bouchkara, Costas Pappas, Pantias Lariopoulos, Nicholas Rolas, Pantias Antonis, John Rabbios, Vasilios Michailos, Costas Kostalos.

**Making Bad Matter Worse**  
Edward Belanger, who was serving a three year sentence at the Lowell jail, having been committed there on Jan. 8th of this year, took "French leave" from the jail last Thursday. He had been working in the bakeshop of the institution but, owing to the intense heat, he was given the freedom of the yard for a short time, and soon made his way over the stone wall in Hale street and escaped. The matter was reported to the local police and a search was made for him. He was brought to the police station, in court this morning he admitted having escaped and said he had nearly two years more to serve. He was given a sentence of six months in the house of correction, the sentence to take effect after the expiration of his present term of imprisonment.

**Other Offenders**  
George Monjia pleaded guilty to complaints charging him with drunkenness and larceny of articles from the A. G. Pollard Co. and J. L. Chaffoux Co. By agreement the cases were continued until Saturday, the defendant being held under \$100 bonds for his appearance at that time.

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board was Peter Brisson of division 4, whose order number is 107. Mr. Brisson, who is employed at the Saco-Lowell Paper Mills, was given the information desired and later he filed his questionnaire with the exemption board of division 4.

William H. Wilson, a member of the advisory board, stated that the work of the board will seriously injure court engagements of the lawyers on the board, but said engagements will be deferred until the work of the board is through. He said many of the lawyers have cases pending in court, but all such cases will be postponed.

According to present arrangements the sessions will be held daily, the first from 9 a. m. until 4 p. m. and the other from 4 p. m. until 10 p. m. sixteen lawyers to participate at every session. When the rush comes in, however, it will be necessary to make a new schedule for the lawyers who are unable to handle the work properly.

**BOY SCOUTS OF LOWELL HAVE SERVICE FLAG WITH 17 STARS**  
The Boy Scouts of Lowell recently set out a service flag at the scout headquarters in Shattuck street containing 17 stars. Following is the roll of honor:

Troop 1, Assistant Scoutmaster C. E. Knight, sergeant, Co. K, 6th Regt. Camp Bartlett, Westfield, Mass.  
Troop 2, Scoutmaster Herbert Vancos, private, Truck Co. supply train, Camp Devens, Mass.

Troop 3, Scoutmaster Raymond Shattuck, musician, U. S. naval station, Hingham, Mass.  
Troop 4, Scoutmaster Andrew Jenkins, 2nd lieutenant, Camp Devens, Mass.

Troop 5, Scoutmaster Calob Rogers, private, U. S. Coast artillery, Fort Warren, Mass.  
Troop 6, Assistant Scoutmaster Ralph Pollard, corporal, Prison guard, Camp Bartlett, Mass.

Troop 7, Assistant Scoutmaster Wilfred Axon, private, British Medical reserve, Camp Borden, Canada.  
Troop 8, Scout Clarence Farrow, private, U. S. Army, Fort Devens, Mass.

Troop 9, Assistant Scoutmaster Herbert Nichols, sergeant, U. S. Army camp, Georgia.  
Troop 10, Scout Arthur Walton, private, U. S. Mounted police, England.  
Troop 11, Scout George Mosley, private, Battery F, France.  
Troop 12, Assistant Scoutmaster Harry Felch, instructor in wireless, Newport training school.  
Troop 13, Scoutmaster Thomas W. Doyle, captain, 6th Regt. quartermasters station, Westford, Mass.  
Troop 14, Tewksbury, Scoutmaster Hector Jackson, private, Co. B, 14th R. I. Engineers, France.  
Troop 15, Assistant Scoutmaster Leon F. Hildreth, Depot brigade, Camp Devens, Mass.  
Troop 16, Scoutmaster Samuel Dupont, Y.M.C.A. unit, France.

**PAY ENVELOPE** With sum of money lost in A. G. Pollard's Saturday afternoon. Finder return to 57 Kinman st., and receive reward.



# "PRESIDENT WILSON'S MESSAGE

To the Tournament of Roses Association, Pasadena, Cal., makes clear that he believes it would be a disastrous, a fatal mistake, to spread a pall of dejection and stagnation over the land because of the war. In other words, the President believes that the normal life of the country should be continued in every way possible. Moreover, the President's message indicates that he feels that Americans would not be manifesting the right kind of loyalty to the gallant boys under arms should the people at home go about in sackcloth and ashes, with long, dour faces. Were it done, it would react upon the boys at the front and in camps. It would depress and discourage them. Pessimism and gloom are infectious. So are cheerfulness and philosophic acceptance of a big burden and a dangerous duty. Note how the mother sends her boy away to war. She smiles encouragement to him through her tears. That heartens him. Back of these boys should be a determined, an earnest, a loyal and appreciative, but withal a smiling, active people. That will instill courage into the heart of the soldiers."—(From an editorial in a paper in Pasadena, Cal.)



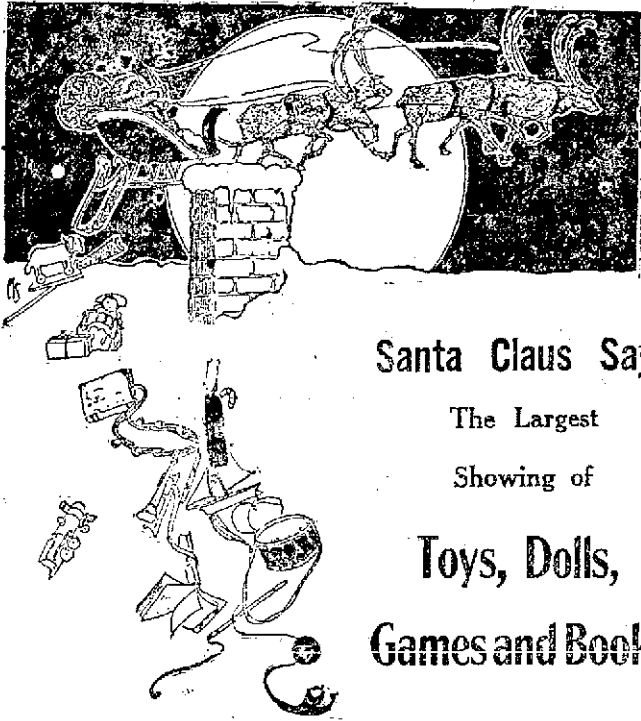
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The Largest  
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Games and Books**

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| Doll Trunks ..... 50c to \$2.75  | Automatic Sand Crane ..... \$1.00   |
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| Folding Doll Carriages ..... 30c   | Story Books, Paint Books, Linen and Picture Books, and hundreds of books for all ages ... 10c to 75c      |
| Folding Doll Carriage (Rubber Tired) ..... 75c                           | Doll Wash Sets, 50c, \$1.00 and \$1.50  |
| Doll Carriages—Upholstered inside, Priced ..... \$4.50 and \$10.00       | Nodding Animals of all kinds, 25c   |
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| Special Soldier Outfits ..... 50c  | Photographs for both boys and girls, 25c, 50c and \$1.00  |
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| Buzzy Andy Trip Hammer ..... 50c   |   |
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#### IF PEOPLE WOULD ONLY STOP TO THINK, EVERYBODY WOULD SHOP EARLIER FOR CHRISTMAS

A week ago last Saturday evening the storm drove nearly everybody home. The stores were almost deserted after eight o'clock. Thousands of people who had planned to do their Christmas shopping on that evening were disappointed and obliged to postpone.

So—You never can tell what's going to happen that will change your plans. This is one reason why you should shop earlier for this Christmas. Shop in the morning if you can and shop early this week. Some people may be obliged to postpone their shopping until the last two or three days before Christmas. And we are mortifying our forces to take care of them.

You, who can do so, are urgently requested to shop early this week. We make this request in the interest of our employees as well as the interest of our customers.

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There is a growing popular feeling that a Victrola can be more judiciously selected at Chalifoux's on account of the sound-proof rooms being of the very latest scientific construction.

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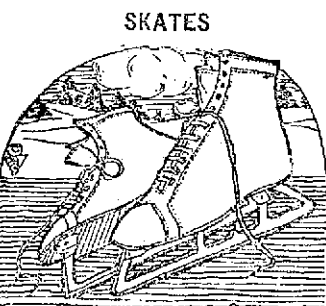
#### Ask Us to Play the New December Records

People who already have Victrolas or other disc machines, should by all means come to Chalifoux's for their records. You can get a much better idea as to how they will sound if you hear them in our sound-proof rooms.

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#### FERN DISH COMBINATION

Cut glass dish, several choice cuttings, dish with metal lining and preserved fern, plain fern, or with flowers, complete with footed metal rim, mirror plate; \$4.98 value, for.....\$3.95



SKATES

A. G. Spalding & Bros. brand. Prices \$1.50, \$1.98, \$2.10 and \$3.00 pair.

Skate and Shoe Outfits, \$5.75, \$7.50 and \$10 Pair

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Real Cut Glass as low in price as ..... 25c

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Electric Utilities

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#### JAPANESE HAND PAINTED

"NIPPON CHINA"

Hand Painted China Cups and

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Hand Decorated Vases, great

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Hand Painted China Berry or

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LAMPS

Standard fitted with cord and

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Men's Silk Shirts, \$2.45 and \$3.85

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Men's Negligee Shirts, \$1.15, \$1.50 and \$2.00

Men's Full Dress Shirts, \$1.50 and \$2.00

Men's Night Shirts, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25

Men's Silk Pajamas, \$2.00

Men's Pajamas, \$1, \$1.50 and \$2

Men's Silk Hose, 50c, 75c and \$1

Men's Fibre Silk Hose, 35c-4 for \$1.00

Men's Silk and Wool Hose, 75c

Men's Cashmere Hose, 25c, 39c, 50c and 75c

Men's Wool Hose, 25c, 50c, 75c

Men's Lisle Hose, 25c and 50c

Men's Shanklin Hose, 20c and 75c

Men's Suspender and Garter Sets for ..... 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50

Men's Belts, Garter and Arm Band Sets for ..... \$1.00 and \$1.50

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Men's Fancy Silk Arm Band, 25c and 50c

Men's Scarf and Tie Sets for ..... \$2.00

Men's Bull Dog Suspenders in fancy boxes for ..... 50c

Men's President Suspenders in fancy boxes for ..... 50c

Men's Cardigan Jackets for ..... \$4.00

Men's Beach Coats for ..... \$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50 and \$5

Men's Umbrellas for ..... \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50

Men's Union Silk Umbrellas, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00

Men's Taffeta Silk Umbrellas, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50

Men's Sweaters for ..... \$4.00 and \$4.50

Men's Shaker Knit Sweaters, \$5, \$6, \$7 and \$8

Men's Slip-on Sweaters (knit) for ..... \$5.00 and \$6.00

Men's Army Sweaters for ..... \$6.00

Men's Army Set, Wool Scarf, Wristers and Togue, for ..... \$4.00

Men's Jersey Suspenders for ..... \$1.50 and \$2.00

Men's Kid Gloves for ..... \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00

Men's Mocha Gloves, \$2.00 and \$3.00

Men's Black Gloves for ..... \$3.00

Men's Squirrel Lined Gloves, \$1.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00

Men's Auto Gloves for ..... \$1.49

Men's Wool Gloves for ..... 50c, 65c, \$1.00 and \$1.50

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Men's Silk Knit Four-in-Hand Ties for ..... 25c

Men's Cheney Silk Four-in-Hand Ties ..... 50c, 75c and \$1.00

Men's Club Ties ..... 25c and 50c

Men's Bow Ties ..... 25c and 10c

Men's Silk Knit Four-in-Hand Ties for ..... 50c, \$1.00 and \$1.50

Men's Hand Ties for ..... 25c and 50c

Men's Shield Ties for ..... 25c, 50c

Men's Boston Garters, 25c, 35c and 50c

Men's Paris Garters, 25c, 35c, 50c

Men's Brighton Garters, 25c and 35c

Men's Polled Suspenders, 25c and 50c

Men's Belts ..... 25c, 50c and \$1.00

Men's Wool Wrists ..... 25c

Men's Arrow Brand Collars, 20c, 2 for 35c or 3 for 50c

Men's Arrow Brand Collars for 25c

Men's Celluloid Collars for 15c and 25c

Men's Silk Knit Scarfs, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$4.00 and \$5.00

Men's Tabular Silk Scarfs, \$1.00 and \$1.50

Men's Silk Scarfs for \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50

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## PROBING THE WAR DEPARTMENT

It is to be hoped that this congressional investigation of the management of the war will not take on the appearance of an effort to expose defects and weaknesses. That would be criminal.

This is no time for cavilling criticism nor for raking up details of mistakes or blunders to be used in political campaigns hereafter.

The republicans in congress have tried hard to get a committee to control war expenditures. Such a committee would prove a stumbling block to the progress of the war, inasmuch as while the president is the responsible head and while he acts only after consultation with his cabinet, yet the action of the president and cabinet combined would be blocked and nullified by a committee on control of expenditures. The situation under such an arrangement would parallel that which would exist in England if the king exercised his prerogative to declare war and if parliament should refuse to vote the money necessary to carry on the war.

In order to conduct the war with the freedom which alone can bring success, it is necessary to give President Wilson a free hand and to avoid hampering him or the departments by the petty fault-finding of officious congressmen.

The congressional committee of congress is within its functions in investigating the management of the war but it should not give foreigners any opportunity to learn our military secrets, to get an inside knowledge of our weak points in organization, training, equipment, or anything else.

It may be accepted as a certainty that if the merest hint of any weakness in our armor is made public, the information will go direct to Germany supplemented by much that is not public. The spies in this country can be relied upon for that. For this reason the committee on military affairs which is conducting the investigation should exercise judicious caution in allowing criticism of any military operation to be made public.

Already it appears that to a great extent the inquiry is conducted openly just as if nobody but ourselves paid any attention to the information elicited. But remember still "a (German) chisel among us takin' notes" and if he does not print them, he will send them to the Kaiser.

## CHECK INFANT MORTALITY

With all the appeals that are being made for war purposes, some of our most urgent needs at home are being neglected. One of these is the imperative necessity of doing something to lower the high rate of infant mortality.

Out of 46 leading cities in this country, Lowell has the highest infant mortality in the last week's calculation. Of course, the rate fluctuates and some other city may lead in the next calculation, but the fact is clear from the average death rate among children under five years of age, for several months, that the rate is abnormally high. Yet we hear of no epidemic and nothing unusual in the line of contagious diseases. The cause then must be sought elsewhere. It may lie in part in the ignorance of young mothers, the carelessness of others and the neglect of working mothers to see that their infant children get the proper care and feeding.

At present the scarcity of sugar is causing illness among the bottle-fed babies of Lowell. There should be some means by which the parents of young children shall have preference in the purchase of sugar when the supply is short in the stores. The city health authorities it seems, should be able to solve this problem.

## LLOYD GEORGE'S SPEECH

Again has Premier Lloyd George cleared away the murky air of pessimism and the field miasma of Lansdowne's slough of despond. He has shown that the defeat of Germany is the only thing that will save the empire and indeed the rest of the world from German domination; and he has shown also that Germany cannot be beaten without complete co-ordination of the allied forces on land and sea.

It is to be hoped that this new exposition of the situation by the premier will silence the pacifists, the pessimists and above all the Tory element that would apparently welcome a peace that would leave England at the mercy of the Kaiser.

Where would England be today but for the safe guidance and courage of Lloyd George?

## TINKHAM'S EXPLOITS

Congressman Tinkham has a keen eye for self advertising. His feat of firing the first gun against the Austrians may be taken as a promise of American aid to come, but incidentally it will give Mr. Tinkham a little advertising with his constituents. His escapade in being cast from a mountain pass over a precipice in an auto should count for much among the home folks.

Our townsman, Hon John Jacob Rogers, is not making much noise in Europe but we venture to predict that he will return with a budget of information that will be of real benefit to the government.

## REVERSING OUR POLICY

We are reversing our policy in regard to the trusts. The Webb bill to

legalize combinations for foreign commerce has been passed. The Sherman anti-trust law is also a hindrance to the free operation of railroads and other concerns that might combine for better service in the war. That, too, may have to be discarded to meet the new conditions.

## COAL FAMINE

That a coal famine will strike some New England industries appears to be quite probable at the present time. Therefore, economy is essential and the war industries have first claim. Nevertheless a munition plant has been closed at Baltimore as a result of a lack of coal.

## PAID REVOLUTIONISTS

It now comes out that conspirators asked Bernstorff for \$20,000,000 to foment a rebellion in India. Some of these professional revolutionists have made easy money by stirring up rebellions in India, Ireland, Mexico, Finland and other parts of Russia. All for the benefit of Germany.

## CUBA IS WITH US

Plucky little Cuba shows her loyalty to the United States by following our lead in declaring war. If we should declare war, on the king of the Cannibal Islands, Cuba would follow at our

## Why Are You Gray?

Why look older than you feel? Now that so many thousands have proved that Q-ban Hair Color Restorer brings a uniform, dark, lustrous shade to gray or faded hair—you really ought to try Q-ban. Ready to use—guaranteed harmless—75c for a large bottle—money back if not satisfied. Sold by Louis K. Liggett & Co., and all good drug stores. Delightfully beautifying. Try Q-ban Hair Tonic; Liquid Shampoo; Soap. Also Q-ban Depilatory (for superfluous hair.)

**Try Q-ban**  
Hair Color Restorer  
If you want to buy, sell or exchange anything try a Sun want ad.

heels. Bravo, Cuba! Now send along your army.

## LIGHTLESS NIGHTS

Lightless nights may be ordered by the fuel administration. This would result in the shutting down of our White Way. We would miss it, of course, but if the exigencies of the war require that we shall get along without it then we will do so cheerfully. For the present, however, the White Way is secure.

## LOOKING BOTH WAYS

Bulgaria declares her friendship for the United States, although still the loyal ally of Germany, paradoxical as it may seem.

It was seven years ago today that Dorothy Arnold disappeared, leaving behind her a mystery that has never been solved. Her father, Francis R. Arnold, an importer of perfumes, has spent a fortune searching for her. Hundreds of "clues" have been worked out without result. She was 25 and a graduate of Bryn Mawr college.—Holyoke Transcript.

Nearly every city has tragic recollections of this kind—of young girls or boys who disappeared and were never heard from despite all efforts to find them. The chief event of this kind in the memory of Lowell residents was the disappearance of the Dent boy, some fifteen years ago. No trace of him has ever been found.

More than ever this year should Christmas presents be chosen with a view to real utility. Otherwise the expense is money wasted.

## SEEN AND HEARD

Fletcher street cars are scarcer than sugar, and that's going some.

People who are crippled in the head get less sympathy than other cripples.

Let us give thanks for ability, for work, for our friends—and say nothing about our ability to work our friends.

## With Strikers on Parade

A little girl and her mother walking along Broadway, New York, met a group of striking "bitch" restaurant employees parading up and down, their hats and coats sleeves decorated with large pasteboard signs. The little girl gazed at them in amazement. "What's the matter with these men, mamma?" she asked shrilly. "Nothing, dear. They've stopped working, and they want everybody to know it." "And what does it say on those signs, mamma?" "Former Childs' employees," read the mother.

Still the little girl was puzzled. "Well, but, mamma," she piped, "why are they so awful proud of it?"

## Won the Cigars

The subject of rifle shooting often cropped up at one of the training camps. "I'll bet anyone here a box of cigars," said Lieut. A. "that I can fire 20 shots at 200 yards and tell without waiting for the marker the result of each one correctly." "Done!" said Major D. And the whole mess turned out early the next morn-

## Let Us Help

### KNIVES

Pocket and kitchen—pearl, plain and fancy handles.

### SHEARS

That are made by Wiss, which means they are good.

### CARVING SETS

A variety of designs to choose from, at prices that are pleasing.

### LUNCH BOXES

With Vacuum Bottle. Very handy in hot or cold weather.

### FLASH LIGHTS

Nothing handier or more acceptable. Candles, pocket sizes. Plain and fancy.

### FOR SHAVING

Common razors and safety varieties. Brushes, soap, strop and honers.

### SLEDS

The flexible kind that save wear on shoes and rubbers.

### AND MANY OTHERS

Authorized Agents for the Sale of Government Savings Stamps.

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ing to witness the experiment.

The lieutenant fired.

"Miss," he announced calmly.

Another shot.

"Miss," he repeated.

A third shot.

"Miss," he said.

"Here," hold on," put in Major B.

"What are you trying to do? You're not firing for the target."

"Of course not," was the cool response. "I'm firing for those cigars!"

And he got them.

### Poets In Olive Drab

Until edged out of print by more important subjects, like changing the map of Europe and the doorknobs of the Petrograd palace, the authorship of Shakespeare's plays was a constant source of interest to those who like a rasher of Bacon with their literature.

There appeared only one claimant for Shakespeare's stuff, however, hence the learned controversy is mere "small stuff" compared with the puzzle that is just now writhing the foreheads of some of the chaps who pass judgment on newspaper copy.

Out of the flood of publicity which followed the declaration of war and the draft there floated on the top a four-act "feature poem" entitled "Only a Volunteer," that appears to have seeped right through the skins of the

boys who preferred to go voluntarily rather than await the draft. Nearly every newspaper in the country has printed it—not particularly because of its merit but because of local associations. Always it was the story of a lad in olive drab, reading of the farewells and banquets to draftees and saddened because his own departure was less auspicious, who sat down and dashed it off on a Red Triangle paper. Not less than a dozen copies have come to the Enterprise, each signed by a different author. The experience of other newspapers has been somewhat similar.—Brookline Enterprise.

### Why Lobsters Are High

Patrons of big city restaurants might not see any connection between the high price of spruce lumber and a scarcity of lobsters, with resultant advanced values, but there is a very intimate and substantial relation between the two, according to a story from Bangor, Me.

Years ago, when, although perhaps there were no more lobsters in the sea than now, fewer people ate the shell fish, spruce lumber was selling at \$15 to \$20 per thousand. Lobster pots, traps and pounds are made of spruce, joists, boards and laths. Also, years ago Manila hemp rigging was selling at about half the present prices. Lobstermen use a lot of that. And, furthermore, and perhaps most important of all, gasoline is very expensive now. Lobstermen go about in these times in motorboats, instead of rowing dories to and from their traps, and the motors must be fed.

All these things make lobstering expensive and for that reason, plenty of good paying jobs in other lines waiting for them, hundreds of Maine men who have spent years in raising the "makings" of broiled lobsters from the deep will abandon the business until prices of materials are down again. Thus far this season 3133 lobstermen have applied to the sea and shore fisheries commission for licenses, or 700 fewer than usual. So there will be a shortage in the lobster crop in Maine.

### Logic

Said the pacifist, "The government is rotten."

It never should have gotten us in the war.

The conflict by the Plumberbund's begotten.

And it's Rockefeller we are fighting for.

The Germans are a very noble nation.

While our native land is nothing but a joke.

And it tries to stop free speech of the nature that I preach.

And it's thus our freedom vanishes in smoke.

"I demand the right to bellow as I choose to."

I object to any fetters on my tongue.

When they ask me to be careful I refuse to.

While I've got a mouth to shout with—and a lung.

But, a patriotic editor who heard him called the pacifist a traitor and a scoundrel.

Whereupon the speaker claimed that he had sturred him.

And he put the libel statute on the job.

For he found the free speech license he had wanted.

Wasn't pleasant when it turned against himself.

When somebody else abused him, why, he wanted.

To have all his injured feelings healed with self.

For it wasn't really free speech he demanded.

But the right to howl at everyone with vim.

While he belloved out for justice, heavy handed.

When some other person howled a bit at him!

—Berton Braley.

## CONSCRIPTION THE MAIN ISSUE IN CANADA

OTTAWA, Dec. 17.—With selective conscription as the great issue, the voters of Canada will decide today whether the new Union government of Sir Robert Borden shall remain in office or whether Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the veteran leader of the Liberal opposition, shall be restored to power.

The campaign which has just ended is considered the most important, as well as the most bitterly contested, in the history of the dominion.

There are approximately 2,000,000 BROWN BRINDLE BULL DOG lost, with white breast and paws; answers to name of Dick. Owner's name and 451 Broadway on collar. Return to 63 Branch st. and receive reward.

6-TEMENT HOUSE for sale; rent for \$55 a month or \$650 a year; price \$1800. Also 2-ement house, 6 rooms to each tenant; rent \$20 and gas. Price \$2200. James H. Boyle, 64 Central st.

THE PERSON who took overcoat by mistake Saturday evening, at Associate hall, would please return it to the owner, 77 Willis st. Name inside pocket.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts—Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To all persons interested in the estate of Sidney J. Lyon, late of Hallow, in the County of Hillsborough, and State of New Hampshire, deceased, or in the personal property hereinafter described, and to the Tax Commissioner for said Commonwealth:

Whereas, Annie B. Lyon, appointed executrix of the will of said deceased, by the Probate Court for the County of Hillsborough, in the State of New Hampshire, has presented to said Court her petition representing that as such executrix she is entitled to certain personal property situated in said Commonwealth, to wit:

Deposit in the Central Savings Bank, Mechanics Savings Bank and The Lowell Five Cent Savings Bank, all in Lowell, in said County of Hillsborough, and which said deposit may be licensed to receive or to sell by public or private sale on such terms and to such person or persons as she shall think fit—or otherwise to dispose of, and to transfer and convey such estate.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Hannan bridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the second day of January A. D. 1918, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell, the last publication to be on the day at least before said Court, and by delivering a copy of said citation to the Tax Commissioner for said Commonwealth fourteen days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fifteenth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

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P. M. ESPY, Register.

## Girls Wanted

Girls over 16 years of age wanted for clean, light work. Apply, Employment Office, at 7.30 Tuesday morning, Newton Mfg. Co.

3-BOX TRUCK wanted; state make and lowest price. Address P-63, Sun office.



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GIFT FOR MEN

## A Christmas "Box of Six"

HALF HOSE, COTTON, CASHMERE  
OR SILK

Holeproof Cotton Half Hose, medium and light weight in black, tan, navy and gray. 35c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$1.75

Holeproof Luxite Half Hose, looks like silk, in black, white, navy and pearl. 35c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$1.75

Silk-Lisle Thread Seamless Half Hose, mercerized—white, pearl, navy and black. 35c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$2.00

Shawknit Mercerized Lisle-Thread Half Hose, black, navy, tan and white. 35c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$2.00

Black Cashmere Half Hose, holeproof, reinforced heels and toes. 40c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$2.10

Holeproof Black Cashmere Half Hose, super quality, reinforced heels and toes. 50c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$2.75

Fibre Silk Half Hose, seamless, elastic tops. 29c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$1.50

Pure Silk Seamless Half Hose, double heels and toes, black, white, navy and pearl. 60c a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$3.30

Onyx Silk Half Hose, full fashioned, four thread heels and toes, black. \$1.00 a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$5.40

Pure Thread Silk Half Hose, full fashioned, none finer shown. \$1.50 a pair.....

6 Pairs  
\$7.80

## PUTNAM & SON CO.

166 CENTRAL STREET

## TO BREAK NEW YORK'S COAL FAMINE

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—New York's coal famine will be broken in a few days, unless weather conditions interfere, fuel administrators and railroad officials declared today. Reeve Schley, fuel administrator said that the crisis already had been passed with the arrival here yesterday of 20,000 tons. Before night, he said, he expected that 25,000 tons more would be received by barges from New Jersey. In addition 20,000 tons were at tidewater, he added, and the only problem was that of transportation. The difficulty in getting labor to handle the coal from terminals has been largely overcome.

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Remember in buying sensible gifts, gifts for the family for all the year, Our Great Underprice Basement always offers the most satisfactory shopping.

## Bath Robe Blankets

If you've thought of a nice warm Bath Robe, but found it too expensive, try making one yourself—here are some unusual values—

At \$3.00 Each

Full size Bath Robe Blankets in a large assortment of light or dark patterns. Regular \$4.00 values.

At \$4.00 Each

Large size many colored Blankets; new patterns in attractive combinations. Worth \$5.

At \$4.50 Each

Heavy new Blankets in a good selection of patterns and colors, with cord and tassel to match. \$6.00 value.

## Bath Robe Blanketing

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Men's Bath Robe, No. 3365.

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NIGHT AISLE

Cords and Tassels at the Fancy Work Section.



# FORMER N. Y. GIRL AIDS WAR RELIEF

Lady Arthur Paget who, before her marriage, was Miss Mary Stevens of



LADY ARTHUR PAGET

New York, is one of the many American women in England who are leaders in war relief work.

## RED CROSS DRIVE Continued

Candles will be placed behind Red Cross service flags in every home. Workers will patrol through the streets and church bells will chime.

Red Cross service flags and buttons will be distributed.

Theodore N. Fall, head of the American Telephone and Telegraph Co., New York, is chairman of the national membership campaign committee.

It is assisted by many noted Americans including Cardinal Gibbons, Dr. Henry van Dyke, Mrs. William G. McAdoo and Mrs. Pinley J. Shepard.

The membership fee is \$1. For an added dollar the Red Cross magazine is secured.

## RED CROSS CAMPAIGN FOR NEW MEMBERS

Lowell's campaign for members for the local chapter of the Red Cross society opened this morning bright and early and although official reports are not to be made until this evening, indications point to a healthy increase in the society's membership as a result of the initial campaigning.

The workers reported that the response to requests for new members was very encouraging and that there was abundant enthusiasm among those people whom they approached.

In order to facilitate the work of the campaigners much of the literature and supplies connected with the campaign which had been in Memorial hall today moved to the rooms of the Morris Plan Co. in Shattuck street.

This is considered much more convenient and will undoubtedly enable the workers to keep a supply of necessary literature and other materials constantly on hand.

The first reports of the campaign will be made tonight at Memorial hall. The workers are asked to get in their reports by 7:30 if possible as the meeting is to be wholly informal and as soon as a worker makes his report he will be at liberty to go.

Those who will be unable to get in at 7:30 will find the hall open until 7:30, but it is hoped to get the biggest part of the report in within an hour. The committee desires as complete a report as possible for the first day in order that it may be seen just how things are running.

Every church of Lowell yesterday notice was given of the start of the Red Cross campaign and the various congregations were urged to aid the drive as much as possible.

The town of Chelmsford had a little preliminary campaign on Saturday and as a result a lot of new members were secured even before the campaign had officially opened. Just in our own town the campaign manager for the town, got 23 names of high school pupils working and their reports were more than encouraging.

Supt. Redmond Welch of the police department addressed the various shifts yesterday in the interest of the campaign and stated that he hoped to make the campaign 100 per cent successful in the department.

Persons desiring to become new members and who do not wish to wait until the workers get around to them may "sign up" at the war work headquarters in Merrimack street, at the Morris Plan Co. in Shattuck street or may telephone to the Boy Scout headquarters and a scout will be sent anywhere in the city to arrange matters.

**Red Cross Enlistments**

More than fifty new members have been signed up for the Red Cross society for 1918 through the local war work headquarters. As soon as it became known last week that a campaign was to be conducted in Lowell this week the war headquarters people immediately got busy and opened a "recruiting" office.

Mr. L. E. Field and Miss Ethel M. Brown were assigned the duty of looking after embryo members and as a result of their efforts half a hundred were signed up before the campaign had officially opened. The war work headquarters is centrally located and persons who wish to become members of the Red Cross will find it very convenient to enlist there.

**Police Are Patriotic**

Did you notice the Red Cross buttons on the collars of the overcoats of the

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members of the police department? Every patrolman, officer or sergeant in fact all employees of the department have joined the American Red Cross Christmas membership campaign and within a short time the 100 per cent membership banner will be hung in the guard room at the police station.

The subscription is \$1 per year and every member of the department has pledged himself to donate that sum every year until the end of the war and also to wear the button until the expiration of the war.

**THE RED CROSS CANTEN AND THE PLACE IT FILLS IN SOLDIER'S LIFE**

Squads of soldiers are filing to the first line trench, or, just relieved there, are returning to the rear. Just back of the second line they pause.

"Um-h-h," sniffs one, quickening to a dog trot.

"Um-h-h," chorus the others, rushing after the leader, elbowing each other for prominence.

They dash up to a Red Cross field canteen—one of which is assigned to each army corps of the French and American army—and clamor like hungry boys.

"Coffee," calls one, "Bullion for mine," says another, forgetting the French accent on which he has labored so diligently. Or maybe it is "Ten" or "Coca" or "lemonade." Anyhow, it is a hot drink, it is good, and it goes to the right spot.

Farther back, at a railway junction point is a more pretentious Red Cross canteen, as spotless as a perfect restaurant. Behind a porcelain counter stand a row of Red Cross women, dishing out soup or coffee into the bowls handed over by the unending file of soldiers.

The procession moves along with marvelous celerity, those served to eat or drink their food in a big waiting room, those to be served filling their places.

Those who have money pay three cents for a bowl of hot nourishing soup; those who haven't the where-withal—well, no one goes unserved. For 13 cents one "banquet" on soup, roast beef, salad, cheese, pudding and coffee. It is all served at the cost of food. The overhead expense is borne by the Red Cross.

There are abundant wash basins and shower baths next door, and even clean comfortable cots for at least 600 men, in case of long delays for trains.

This is one phase of Red Cross service for which the Red Cross is enlisting hundreds of American women. They are not nurses. They are strong, patriotic American women, able to cook and serve. "They also serve,"

Among the New England women in America's quota now in France and enlisted for this special work are Mrs. Mary Stickney Lawrence of Rutland, daughter of one noted Vermont attorney and widow of another, and Miss Grace Nichols of Boston.

## RED CROSS CHRISTMAS BOXES FOR THE SOLDIER BOYS "OVER THERE"

Can you imagine Christmas day in France, with some of our soldiers opening Christmas boxes prepared by loving hands at home and finding with them a Christmas greeting, while perhaps other soldiers remain unremembered?

Nothing of the sort is going to happen. Through the generous kindness of various Red Cross chapters and through the efficient organization of the Red Cross transport and supply distribution service, every soldier in the American army abroad will receive a Christmas box. These boxes are not standardized as to their contents. The general suggestion is that they should contain some form of a game such as a checker board, a quantity of cigars, pipe, tobacco, or cigarettes, a package of candy and some chewing gum.

The character of the contents was left to the liberality and good will of the various chapters. Each box represents a value of approximately \$1.50. It is not the value of the thing that counts, however. It is the fact, itself.

It is the idea that the American Red Cross thinks of all our soldiers as sailors rather than of any individual soldier or sailor, and that his box with the sentiment "Merry Christmas" on the cover constitutes a greeting from the heart of all the United States to all its fighting men in other lands.

## NEW YORK CAMPAIGN

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—A campaign to add half a million members to the Red Cross in New York by Christmas eve was begun here today. Thirty thousand volunteers and organizers had charge of the drive, 10,000 of whom started a house to house canvass. Hundreds of booths, in charge of women were opened in every section of the greater city.

## FOREIGN TRADE CONVENTION

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—A call for the fifth national foreign trade convention to be held at Cincinnati on Feb. 7, 8 and 9 was issued today by James A. Farrell, president of the United States Steel corporation and chairman of the foreign trade committee of the American foreign trade in winning the war will be the general theme of the convention.

## LIGHTLESS NIGHTS

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 17.—Thos. W. Russell, Connecticut coal administrator, today designated Sundays and Thursdays as "lightless nights" outdoors. He said that household lighting be kept to the lowest point possible.

## LOCAL POLICE GIVE CLUE THAT LEADS TO ARREST OF ALLEGED EMBELLIZER

A. Eugene Wood, formerly employed at the Metropolitan Trust Co. in Boston and apprehended by the police in San Francisco, California, Saturday, was arrested on a clue given by the local police and this morning Supt. Welch of the local police department received a letter from Supt. Michael H. Crowley of Boston, thanking the local police for the tip given which led to Wood's arrest.

Wood, and Arthur E. Abbott, the latter a former bookkeeper at the Federal Trust Co., were wanted for the embezzlement of \$13,540 last month according to what could be learned by the police the pair after securing the money made a get-away and went west.

Sergt. David Petrie, of the local police learned that Wood was living in the west under an assumed name and he reported the matter to Supt. Welch and the latter in turn communicated with Supt. Crowley of Boston and as a result Wood was arrested at San Salito, Calif., a suburb of San Francisco.

**DETECTION OF METAL IN WOUNDS BY MEANS OF NEW TELEPHONIC DEVICE**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Detection of metal in wounds by means of a new telephonic device is described in despatches to the department of commerce. The instrument is moved over the body of the patient and emits a humming note when over a metal shell or shell splinter and is further used in guiding a probe toward the hidden metal. Whether the metal is magnetic and can be attracted by an electric magnet without the use of an incision also can be told by the instrument.

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**LEADING THE PROCESSION OF CHRISTMAS PROVIDERS—**This store carries an array of Gift Suggestions as comprehensive and attractive as any in New England. This final week of shopping should draw you first to this store. Remember this is to be a patriotic Christmas, so do your part by helping our helpers. Shop early and carry the small parcels.



## MAY WE SUGGEST?

FOR FATHER	FOR MOTHER	FOR SISTER	FOR BROTHER	For the Youngster
UMBRELLA HANDKERCHIEFS GLOVES MUFFLER CANE SLIPPERS THERMOS BOTTLE BILL FOLD TRAVELING CASE BATH ROBE	DRESS GOODS FANCY APRON RUG FUR COAT KNITTING OUTFIT CARD CASE PERCOLATOR KIMONO FANCY BAG CARD TABLE	FURS SILK UNDERWEAR LA VALLIERE DIARY EVENING SLIPPERS WRITING PAPER VANITY CASE PERFUMERY STOCKINGS CHAFING DISH	SHIRTS CIGARET CASE NECKTIES HANDKERCHIEFS SWEATER SUIT CASE CANE SHAVING SET MILITARY BRUSHES SMOKING JACKET	PICTURE BOOKS HANDKERCHIEFS RUBBER BOOTS SLEDGE JEWELRY SKATING SETS SHOES SWEATER KNIT GLOVES TOOL CHESTS



## GIFTS OF LINEN

Practically acceptable to the home-keeper and the bride-to-be. These are truly unusual values, offered as Christmas specials.

**TABLE DAMASK**  
Fifteen pieces (15 pcs.) full bleach, 68 inches wide, very choice patterns, made on looms formerly used in the manufacture of linen; worth \$1.50. Special price .....35c Each  
Twenty pieces (20 pcs.) warranted all pure linen, 70 and 72 inches wide, Irish and Scotch make, snow white bleach and very attractive patterns; worth \$2.75. Special price .....1.98 Yard

**PATTERN CLOTHS**  
Fifty of them, but only three patterns. Chrysanthemum, Rose and Passion Flower. Round designs. 68x68, Scotch make and full bleach; worth \$5.00. Special price .....\$3.75 Each  
Fifty Pattern Cloths, size 72x72 inches, suitable for round or square tables, Irish manufacture and glass bleach. Special price \$4.50 Each  
Napkins to match .....\$4.50 Dozen

**TOWELS**  
Huck Towels, foreign in appearance, fine quality, size 18x34 inches, full hemstitched, beautiful finish, 65 per cent linen. Special price .....25c Each  
Another lot made by the same manufacturer, with Jacquard borders and some with monogram spaces. Special price .....30c Each  
The finest Huck Towel made in America, extra large size, plain and Grecian borders, monogram spaces. Special price .....69c  
Brown's "Shamrock" Towels and Webb's "Dew Bleach" Towels in guest and full sizes, from .....50c to \$1.49 Each  
One hundred dozen (100 doz.) Bath Towels, full bleach, extra large size, double thread warp and filling; worth 33c. Special price 25c Each  
Fancy Bath Towels, suitable for combing jackets, in blue, pink, gold and lavender, from .....25c to 98c  
Turkish Bath Sets, three pieces, large and individual towel and face cloth, blue and pink borders. Special price .....89c Set

**FILET NET LACES**  
Doilies, Trays, Scarfs, Squares, Centres

Doilies, 12 inch	.....59c Each
Bread Trays, 12x15 inches	.....98c Each
Silk Scarfs, 20x36 inches	.....\$2.25 Each
Scarfs, 20x45 inches	.....\$2.50 Each
Scarfs, 20x54 inches	.....\$2.75 to \$4.98 Each
Squares, 26x36 inches	.....\$3.25 Each
Squares, 45x55 inches	.....\$4.50 Each
Squares, 54x54 inches	.....\$5.50 Each
Centres, 20 inches	.....\$1.49 Each
Centres, 40 inches	.....\$1.98 Each
Centres, 50 inches	.....\$2.25 Each
Centres, 60 inches	.....\$4.50 Each
Real Madeira Hand Embroidery Centres, from	.....\$1.98 to \$5.00 Each
Scarfs, from	.....\$2.75 to \$12.00 Each
Lunch Cloths, from	.....\$12.00 to \$17.50 Each
Napkins, from	.....\$7.98 to \$15.00 Dozen

Several Other Attractive Bargains. Left Aisle

## VELVET BAGS AND THOSE OF LEATHER

Never a gift season when bags of every sort were so much to be desired. Milady and her friends count them by the score—here's a splendid assortment, none of which is too expensive.

Velvet Hand Bags, in black, taupe, blue, brown and purple. \$3.50 to \$13.50 Each

Blank Bags .....\$10.00 to \$22.50  
Silk Bags, black, blue, green and brown .....\$1.00 to \$15.00  
Velvet Knitting Bags .....\$4.50 to \$7.50  
Leather Knitting Bags .....\$4.50 to \$6.50  
Week-End Bags .....\$8.50, \$9.00 and \$10.00  
Large Shopping Bags .....\$3.00 to \$7.00  
Leather Strap Bags .....50c to \$16.50  
Leather Hand Bags .....79c to \$15.00  
Children's Bags .....25c to \$1.50  
Collapsible Pails .....\$2.50 and \$3.00  
Collapsible Tubs .....\$2.50 and \$3.00  
Men's Bill Folders .....\$1.00 to \$7.50  
Pullman Slippers .....49c to \$5.00 Pair  
Men's Belts, with sterling silver clasps .....\$1.50 Each

## ELECTRIC CANDLES AND LAMPS

Electric Lamps, silver plated, .....\$3.00 and \$6.00 Complete  
Ivory Electric Lamps .....\$3.00 to \$6.00  
Ivory Electric Candles .....\$1.00 to \$2.50  
Poultier Candles, with shades and holder complete, .....\$1.00 to \$1.50  
West Section Right Aisle

## From the Book Shop

The Famous Children's Crimson Series .....80c Each  
By Kate Douglas Wiggin and Nora Archibald with (titles listed below).

The Fairy Ring—Fairy tales for children 4 to 8 years.  
Magic Casements—Fairy tales for children 6 to 12 years.  
Tales of Laughter—Fairy tales for growing boys and girls.

Pinafore Palace—Rhymes for growing boys and girls.  
The Posy Ring—Verses and poems that children love to learn.

Golden Numbers—Verses and poems for children and grown ups.

The Talking Beasts—Birds and beasts in fable.  
Christmas Stories—"Read us a Story About Christmas."

Stories and Poems From Kipling—An entertaining selection.  
U-File-M Scrap Book—The book without an equal, fast binder, time saver, quick finder, beats them all for convenience.

Special price .....\$1.50 Each  
Our Special Self-Pronouncing Bible, No. 6190, with illustrations, helps to Bible study, questions and answers on the Scripture, bound in flexible Morocco, with overlapping cover .....\$1.98

A Handy Companion for Soldiers and Sailors—By a Vincentian Father, extra thin edition, good leather binding .....50c Each  
Cloth bound .....10c Each

Manual of Prayer—Thin India paper, a nice leather binding, convenient size for ladies, endorsed by Cardinal Gibbons, .....\$1.50 Each

Key of Heaven—Leather bound, printed on good clear paper, .....75c Each

Women's Favorite Cook Book—Three books in one volume by Annie R. Gregory, noted authority and instructor in household economy; also the Art of Carving, illustrated by A. Chabrisson, famous club and hotel chef of America, .....\$1.00 Each

Just received from the publisher, "The Song of the Cardinal," by Gene Stratton Porter, .....80c Each

History of Our Wild West and "Stories of Pioneer Life." Price .....75c Each

Altman's Mother Stories Series Mother Fairy Tales.  
Mother Nature Stories.  
Mother Nursery Rhymes and Tales.

Mother Stories from the New Testament.  
Mother Bedtime Stories.  
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## ALL CATHOLIC CHURCHES SPOKE FOR RED CROSS

In all the Catholic churches of the city yesterday morning a plea was made that the parishioners assist in every way possible in the local Red Cross campaign which started this morning.

At St. Patrick's church Rev. William O'Brien, P.R., celebrated the 7 o'clock mass yesterday morning and Rev. Timothy P. Callahan assisted in giving out communion. There was a large number of communicants. Rev. Joseph A. Curtin sang the high mass at 11 o'clock and Fr. Callahan preached the sermon. At all the masses an earnest plea was made for the support of the local Red Cross campaign. Plans for the celebration of the feast of the Holy Name are progressing favorably in this parish. All the societies of the parish are active in promoting war work and local charities.

The members of the Boys' sodality received communion in a body at the 8:40 o'clock mass at St. Peter's church yesterday morning. Rev. Francis I. Shea celebrated the mass and Rev. Daniel J. Keleher, Ph.D., the pastor, assisted in giving out communion. Rev. Fr. Linehan celebrated the high mass at 11 o'clock and Rev. Fr. Heffernan was the preacher. It was announced that 250 names of young men of the parish who are now in the national service had been received by the pastor for the honor roll and the parishioners were urged to get in any other names as soon as possible.

On Wednesday evening there will be a meeting of the Married Ladies' sodality and on Thursday evening at the same hour a meeting of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. The annual election of officers of St. Peter's Holy Name society was held last evening in the school hall. There was an unusually large attendance of members. In the absence of the president, the vice president, Michael Hetherman, presided and after a list

of routine business had been transacted the voting for society officers took place with the following results: President, Michael Hetherman; vice president, Cornelius Hickey; recording secretary, Bernard D. Ward; financial secretary, John L. McDonough; assistant financial secretary, Thomas Donohoe; marshal, Michael Monahan; sergeant-at-arms, Hugh A. McDermott; literary committee, James W. Cook; sick-visiting committee, John J. Watson, chairman; Patrick Frawley, John Sadler, Michael Monahan and Richard Lyons.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to the spiritual director, Rev. Daniel J. Keleher. The latter responded fittingly and addressed the members on the work of the society. He announced that there was to be a meeting of the consultants in the school hall on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Tentative arrangements were discussed for a smoke talk in January at which a noted speaker will address the members. Details will be announced later. The society is also being made for the society's part in the forthcoming celebration of the feast of the Holy Name in January and Rev. Dr. Keleher is hopeful that there will be a large attendance in evidence as has characterized previous observances. The new president, Mr. Hetherman, is a young man intensely interested in the society. His services on important committees and his unflinching loyalty and zeal in every undertaking has made him admirably for the position of president.

Rev. James P. McDermott, O.M.I., was the celebrant of the high mass at the Sacred Heart church yesterday morning, and the pastor, Rev. John P. Flynn, O.M.I., preached the sermon. Rev. Fr. Flynn also paid a high tribute to the late George F. H. Rogers, the first Lowell sailor to lose his life in the war. On Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock a solemn mass of requiem will be celebrated for the repose of his soul. At the 8:30 o'clock mass yesterday morning the members of the Holy Angels sodality received communion.

At the immaculate Conception church yesterday morning the members of the Third Order of St. Francis and the Junior Branch of the Children of Mary sodality received communion at the 7:30 o'clock mass. Rev. James McDermott, O.M.I., was the celebrant, and Rev. Owen P. McQuaid, O.M.I., assisted in giving out communion. Rev. Lawrence F. Tighe, O.M.I., the pastor, celebrated the high mass at 11 o'clock, and Rev. Fr. McDermott, O.M.I., preached a forcible sermon on the sin of calumny and detraction as violations of the eighth commandment.

Rev. John J. Shaw, the pastor, celebrated the 8 o'clock mass at St. Michael's church yesterday morning. Rev. Fr. Linehan celebrated the high mass at 11 o'clock and Rev. Fr. Heffernan was the preacher. It was announced that 250 names of young men of the parish who are now in the national service had been received by the pastor for the honor roll and the parishioners were urged to get in any other names as soon as possible.

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chapel's church yesterday morning and a large number of the parishioners took part in the following service: Rev. Francis J. Mullin was the preacher.

At the 9 o'clock mass at St. Margaret's church yesterday morning a large number of the children of the parish received communion. Rev. William A. O'Connell was the celebrant. The latter also celebrated the high mass. Rev. Charles J. Galligan celebrated the early mass.

The members of the Blessed Virgin sodality received communion at the 7 o'clock mass at St. Columba's church yesterday morning and the mass was celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Patrick J. Hally. Rev. Francis A. McNeil sang the high mass.

At St. Jean Baptiste church yesterday morning the members of the Children of Mary sodality received their monthly communion at an early mass. Rev. Arthur Graham was the celebrant. The spiritual director, was in charge. In the evening the members of the Holy Family sodality held their regular monthly meeting at St. Joseph's church with Rev. Joseph Bolduc, spiritual director, in charge.

At St. Louis' church yesterday morning the members of the Third Order of St. Francis received their monthly communion at an early mass with Rev. Eugene Vincent in charge. It was announced at all the masses yesterday that new memberships for the Red Cross society would be received by Mrs. Elodie Favreau at 269 Lakeview avenue.

The Children of Mary of Notre Dame de Lourdes church received communion in a body at the 7:30 o'clock mass yesterday morning with Rev. Joseph A. Denis, the chaplain, as the officiating clergyman. A plea for the Red Cross was also made in this parish at the various masses.

At St. Marie's church in South Lowell yesterday morning the younger girls of the parish received communion at the early mass. The pastor, Rev. Julien Racotte, O.M.I., spoke at the various masses urging the parishioners to become members of the Red Cross for 1918.

## MACHINE GUN CO. C BOYS ARRANGED FOR DANCE

A meeting of Co. C of the 602nd Machine Gun battalion, stationed at Ayer, was held yesterday afternoon in the hall in Middlesex street, in preparation for the coming dancing party and social which is to be conducted by the unit in Associate hall Dec. 26. Besides the members of the company there were representatives of many of the city's clubs and other social organizations on hand, and all expressed a willingness to do their bit for "Lowell's own" company.

George Clark, company manager of the affair, presided at the meeting and explained the purpose of the coming dance. He said that each of the units at Camp Devens established a company fund which is to be used to buy for the members of the company those little comforts and incidentals which the government does not provide. Co. C, however, has not yet established such a fund, and the receipts of the coming time are to be utilized as a fund for such purposes. Clark urged everyone present to do all in his or her power to back up the men at Ayer.

Among the organizations which were represented at the meeting were the following: Broadway Social club, the K. of C. T.M.C.A., C.Y.M.I., C.M.A.C., Matthew Temperance institute, L.S.B.S., Woodbine Social club, Fairview M.Y.S.T., Burnside, Wide Awake Girls, Abenakis Girls and others.

The various clubs took tickets to sell and the Broadway Social club agreed not only to dispose of 100 tickets, but also to donate the use of Associate hall for the dance.

The next meeting will be held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, in the Biks hall. Any club or organization which was not represented at yesterday's meeting may secure tickets from Commissioner James E. Donnelly at city hall.

## NORFOLK STATE HOSPITAL CLINIC HERE DEC. 19

The monthly office clinic of the outpatient department of the Norfolk state hospital will be held in the afternoon at city hall next Wednesday evening between 6:30 and 8:30. Dr. Thomas F. Ross will be in attendance and the clinic will be for the treatment of alcoholic and drug users and for the purpose of consulting with those who may be interested in the reclaiming of men given to the excessive use of either alcohol or drugs.

## SEVERAL SMALL FIRES CALLED OUT DEPT.

A still alarm at 7:52 o'clock Saturday night summoned a portion of the fire department to a slight blaze in the stables of Undertakers Joseph Albert & Sons in Hall street. The fire was caused by a person attempting to thaw out a frozen water pipe.

At 11:47 a. m. hose 7 was called to 24 Central street where there was a slight blaze which was extinguished before any material damage was done. The building is owned by the White-lock estate.

A telephone alarm at 12:40 Sunday brought the protective to the Saulting block at 64 Central street where a water pipe in a toilet room became frozen and the water which was going through the floor. This was the only damage.

At 5 o'clock last night, a telephone alarm brought the protective to the



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**PREACHING TO THE SOLDIERS**  
Rev. William J. Stanton, S. J., a brother of Mrs. Laurence Cummings, has been invited to preach in the cathedral in Burlington, Vt., on "The Holy Name of Jesus." There are 1100 members in the cathedral society of that name. Recently Fr. Stanton conducted a mission for soldiers in Camp Ethan Allen, Vt. the Knights of Columbus hall being tendered for that purpose.

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Lawyer Forrest F. Collier of Billerica, Postmaster N. R. Mahoney of North Billerica and P. B. Kirschner of Billerica Centre have volunteered their services in helping the drafted men in filling their questionnaires and they will meet every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings in the Talbot mills library in North Billerica and Wednesday and Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons at the town hall in Billerica Centre.

## MASS OF REQUIEM FOR LATE GEORGE ROGERS

A mass of requiem for the repose of the soul of the late George F. H. Rogers, the first Lowell sailor to lose his life in the present war, was celebrated at St. Michael's church this morning at 8:45 o'clock by Rev. Henry M. Tallan. The church was practically filled with a host of relatives and friends of the young man. Both the day and night shifts of the U. S. Cartridge Co. were represented at the mass. The delegation representing the day shift consisted of Messrs. Foley, O'Connell, Wagner, Hartnett, O'Brien, Corbett, Donnelly, Brown and Currie.

## THREE SOLDIERS WERE BURNED TO DEATH

**HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 17.**—E. F. Gallagher, Murral, Pa.; W. J. Kramer, Detroit, Mich.; and W. L. Wilby, Rockford, Ill.; all members of the 112th aero squadron, U.S.A., were burned to death when the guard house at the government aero warehouses at Middletown, near here, was destroyed by fire early yesterday. The fire was caused, it is believed, by gas generated by burning tar roofing paper which the men, the only inmates of the small frame structure that served as a camp in prison were using to heat the stove in the building.

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## MEASLES MAY INTERFERE WITH CHRISTMAS PLAN OF BOYS AT AYER

AYER, Dec. 17.—Measles and train schedules threaten Christmas plans for the 20,000 troops at Camp Devens into confusion yesterday. The 30th heavy artillery regiment, with the exception of P. batteries and the supply company, and the 80th artillery are quarantined and the men were uncertain whether the ban would be lifted in season to permit the troops to advance on the Christmas holiday leave.

## SOLDIERS FISH CAMP DEVENS ENTERTAINED AT THE Y.W.C.A. GYMNASIUM

The gymnasium of the Young Women's Christian association was the scene of an enjoyable occasion Saturday evening, when 50 young men from Camp Devens were entertained, the hostesses being the young women of the gymnasium and extension departments, and the secretaries in charge, Miss Florence Foster, physical director, and Miss Annie Frances Hodgkins, extension secretary.

The rooms were decorated in an artistic manner by the committee on social work. As the guests entered they were handed cards on which to write their names and these cards were pinned on their coats. The young women were very entertaining, were given to the guests and the Star Spangled Banner was sung. Scout Buzzie Wilbur Roberts, with bugle and cornet, assisted in the music.

After the dancing the guests were taken to Kilton hall, where a group of ladies from the Calvary Baptist church gave an amusing, comical, entitled "Gossip," a modernized and Americanized edition of the old Irish play, "How the Story Grew." The ladies in the cast were Mrs. Helen Clement, Mrs. Rita McGregor, Mrs. Charles Thurston, Mrs. Frances Fletcher, Mrs. E. Soule, Mrs. Samuel Stephens, Mrs. Oscar Phinney and Mrs. A. G. McPherson. Between the acts Misses Grace Butler and Viola Taylor played in open piano and little Miss Gertrude McPherson sang character songs. Refreshments followed the entertainment.

The boat reached a French port on Nov. 13, and remained there until November 25, on the return trip, Farrell met with an injury, as the result of striking his head against a beam, and he was laid up for a week. On the way over, nothing was sighted, he said, but the beautiful Statue of Liberty was discernible. This was a welcome sight, Farrell is now well recovered and after a short stay will return to his ship. He lives at 214 West Sixth street, and was formerly employed by the Lowell Electric Co.

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## THE NORFOLK STATE HOSPITAL OUT-PATIENT CLINIC AT CITY HALL

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We should be very glad to consult with physicians, clergymen, and social workers.

Applicants may be admitted voluntarily without recourse to the courts at these office hours.

Mr. Thomas F. Ross, of the outpatient department, will be in attendance on Wednesday evening.

Matinees Daily at 2:15



## INTERESTING LETTERS FROM LOWELL SOLDIERS IN THE WAR ZONE

Mrs. William Delderfield, of 23 Arthur street, has received the following letter from her son, Corp. John Delderfield, who is now in France with Co. A of the military police:

Nov. 25, 1917.  
Dear Mother and Father—Just a few lines to let you know I am feeling fine and that everything is O. K. I am going to start in by asking you to do me a favor. Will you please send me some stockings and a copy of The Lowell Sun once in a while? I would like to read the Lowell news.  
Jimmy told me to send you his best regards. I have received only one letter from you since I left the United States. Did you get my last letter? I haven't much more to say now, but I am sorry that I will not be with you on Thanksgiving day and also Christmas. But never mind. I will soon be back with you all. Don't worry about me now. I hope you have a good time Thanksgiving day and I wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.  
With love, from your son, John.

### Private Leonard Shaw

Private Leonard Shaw of Battery F sends the following letter to a friend in this city from somewhere in France:  
Dear Jim: Just a few lines to let you know that I got your letter this morning and was very glad to hear from you. Your letter was the first one I received since leaving Buxford and believe me I was glad to get it and hear from someone in good old Lowell; also to find out that everything is all right in the shop. How are all the old timers? I mean those who worked there when I did.  
How are all the girls in the shop? Tell them I was asking for them and that I would like to hear from them. Give them my address and tell them to write. We get lots of newspapers over here from Lowell and we know about a great many things that happen back there.

Well, Jim, I suppose you would like to hear about ourselves and France. To start with, the fellows here are all right. I am feeling fine and like over here all right. If you were to see us now you would not know us. We have been on the job ever since we left the states. We have a lot of horses now and, believe me, Jim, the fellows are "there." We have more horses than men and you know how many men there are in a battery. Every one of the horses was as green as grass when we first got them so you can see that we had some time breaking them in. The fellows certainly can ride now and, believe me, there is not one wild west show in the United States that has anything on us. If you ever get back to the states well open the eyes of the people in Lowell when they see us with our horses and guns. I am a driver and we were out driving this morning. When we got back we got the mail. It makes a fellow feel good to get mail from home. I was sitting there when the fellows told me that there was a letter for me. I didn't wait a second; I left my dinner and got the letter. I guess I wasn't glad to hear from "somebody in Lowell." It's right now, Jim, and I had to go back to drill this afternoon so I didn't have time to write until now. It is a nice place over here and it is warm, too. The boys are drilling hard, but they don't mind it. You would not think that they were the same fellows who left Lowell to see them now. I guess the people in the states never think of us fellows over here now. Well, never mind, we are kids now; we have bigger things to think of. We are doing our bit so we don't care what they think of us. But we think of our friends now and then and would be glad to hear from them. I wish to tell all the folks in the shop whom

## DRAFTED MEN IN TOWNS FILLING QUESTIONNAIRES

Advice for the answering questionnaires to registrars for the towns of Methuen, Dracut, Tewksbury, Chelmsford, Tyngsboro and Dunstable, which comprise divisions 12, will be given by the members of the legal advisory board on the following dates and at the following places:  
Lawrence court house, each day from 12 m. to 2 p. m.  
Methuen town hall, Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays, from 3 p. m. to 6 p. m. and 7 p. m. to 9 p. m.  
Tyngsboro town hall, Mondays and Fridays from 7 p. m. to 9 p. m.  
Tyngsboro town hall, Mondays from 7:30 to 9 p. m., and Saturdays from 2 p. m. to 6 p. m., and 7:30 p. m. to 9 p. m.  
Tyngsboro town hall, Tuesdays from 7 p. m. to 9 p. m.  
Conneliman chamber, city hall, Lowell, each day from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.  
Town office, Dracut Centre, Friday, Dec. 21, from 7:30 to 9 p. m.  
Horse house, Navy Yard, Dracut, Thursday, Dec. 20, from 7:30 p. m. to 9 p. m.  
State infirmary, Tewksbury, Friday, Dec. 21, from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m.

### SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The regular meeting of Princess lodge, L.O.L., was held in Odd Fellows hall Saturday night. Mary V. Reid presided and considerable routine business was transacted during the evening. The following officers were installed by installing Deputy Mistress Anna Budd and staff of Chelmsford: worthy mistress, Mary V. Reid; deputy mistress, M. Dwyer; chaplain, L. Blackstock; recording secretary, Mae Morrison; financial secretary, Grace Robinson; treasurer, M. Blakely; first conductress, J. Everett; second conductress, L. Masque; inside guard, A. Huelsander and outside guard, E. Eganston. Following the election remarks were made by several members and refreshments were served.

**Irish National Foresters**  
The regular meeting and election of officers of the Irish National Foresters was held yesterday. There was a large attendance of members. Chief Ranger P. Sexton presiding. Two new members were initiated and considerable routine business was transacted. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Chief ranger, Joseph Hanley; sub chief, ranger, Michael Hanley; treasurer, James W. McKenna; financial secretary, Thomas Nevin; assistant secretary, Daniel Healy; senior woodward, Patrick Tumulty; junior woodward, John Martin; senior headle, Michael Nugent; junior headle, Hugh McGowan; trustee, John Kenny; and physician, James J. Cassidy. After the meeting a social hour was enjoyed.

**JOHN BENDZEWICZ MISSING**  
John Bendzewicz, aged 24 years, who was recently released from the McLean hospital at Waverly, Mass., has been missing from his home, 12 Bent's court, according to a report received by the police. It is said that the man is suffering from a mental trouble. His relatives are much concerned over his disappearance. When last seen he wore a black overcoat, belted in the back and a black and white checked cap.

## PROMOTIONS FROM THE RANKS IN U. S. ARMY

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Dec. 17 (By the Associated Press).—Every enlisted man in the American army may carry the stars of a general in his knapsack. Orders just issued by Gen. Pershing provide for promotion from the ranks. Any private may win a commission and climb rapidly.

A section of the general orders says that here after all temporary appointments and promotions on the American expeditionary force will be on a selective plan, as in the British army. Recommendations for appointments and promotions must be based solely on demonstrated fitness and capacity of the man. The system of temporary appointments is one which the American army has not had previously.

Under it a first lieutenant who has demonstrated special qualities and fitness may find himself a temporary captain or even a temporary major. He would hold this rank until he had proved himself worthy of the new rank when the appointment may be made permanent. The British have found this method excellent and by it have secured a great number of efficient officers.

It is announced also that regular reports on the fitness of all officers of all ranks are to be made for guidance in transfer and promotion, thus making sure that the soldiers are under competent leaders.

All non-commissioned officers are eligible for a school which is being established at a large training center for the instruction of candidates for commissions. When passing the training school have been found to be proficient they will be assigned to vacancies as second lieutenants of replacement divisions. They will go to fill vacancies occasioned by casualties and other causes in combat divisions. There is no limit to the number of second lieutenants in the replacement divisions. On the contrary it is recommended that there be at least three second lieutenants in an organization as in a corresponding combat division.

Within the combat units vacancies to the extent of one third of the total will be filled in this manner and two-thirds by promotion within the combat unit itself.

In the replacement divisions, vacancies from the grade of first lieutenant to colonel will be filled by officers recovering from wounds and others who have received no assignments. Those fully recovering from wounds will be assigned to the combat units. Arriving depot casualties, however, will be considered part of the replacement divisions.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WORKING FOR SOLDIERS

The meeting hall of the Knights of Columbus in the Associate building has been converted into a rest room for the soldiers and, accordingly, coats have been installed there for the benefit of the men in khaki. Saturday evening 17 coats had been properly fitted and the same number of soldiers were accommodated for the night, while 15 others, who were unable to secure a room at the Y.M.C.A. or other places, were also given shelter, but they were forced to make use of the chairs and settees.

Christmas afternoon at 2 o'clock a turkey dinner will be served the soldiers by a special committee appointed by the organization, while small gifts will also be given the soldiers.

Arrangements for a social party to be held for a social party to be conducted Dec. 25 by the K. of C. Knitting guild for the benefit of the soldiers and the affair promises to be a success.

The members of the K. of C. guild met yesterday afternoon and discussed plans for the annual contribution of money and goods for the worthy ones during the Christmas season. The members of the guild and the chaplain Rev. J. J. Lynch of St. Michael's church, are working hard to make this year's event a banner one in the history of the organization.

## BOY SCOUT CONCERT BY MEMBERS OF TROOP 26

A most enjoyable concert was given last evening in Sacred Heart hall, East Pine street, by the members of Troop 26, Boy Scouts of Notre Dame de Lourdes parish, the event being given for the benefit of the troop under the direction of the chaplain, Rev. Joseph Denis, O.M.I. The attendance was large, the program was very pleasing and the receipts of the evening were very substantial.

The program consisted of a playlet, entitled "L'Orphelin Retrouve," presented by W. St. Pierre, R. Renaud, A. Lorranger and A. Pinar, and "Le Roi du Desert," by J. Sanguier, E. Cravier, J. Belanger, R. Lozeau, J. Lorranger and E. Malo, as well as the following numbers: "Whistling John" and "All the World Will Be Jealous of Me," by the orchestra; military song, "Hail, Hail, Gars," by a group of scouts and boys; solo by Charles St. Amant, "Jealous of Me" and "Love Dreams," by the orchestra; "Le Petit Cruche" by the orchestra; "La Marseillaise," "On Avant Soldats," and "Les Volontaires Canadiens," chorus by the scouts; awarding of medals to the scouts and the singing of "America."

The orchestra was composed of Mrs. Alma Allain, pianist; Alma Allain, choir master of Notre Dame, as first violin; William Blodreau and Raymond Hamel, second and third violins; Raymond Lozeau, cornet, and Philip Maille, drum.

## OIL STOVE RESPONSIBLE FOR LIVELY BLAZE IN LOMBARD STREET

A lively blaze broke out in the two-apartment house at 15 Lombard street, owned by John H. Barry, about 8:15 o'clock last night. The fire was caused by a portable oil stove communicating flames to a window curtain. The blaze spreading rapidly to articles of furniture in the room. A telephone alarm was sent to the central fire station and this was followed by a bell alarm from box 127. The damage is estimated at about \$200.

BUY DENATURED ALCOHOL FOR YOUR AUTO AT TALBOT'S CHEMICAL STORE 40 MIDDLE ST. 1 Gallon, \$1.15 5 Gallons, \$1.05 Gal.

# What Has the American Red Cross Done With Its Money in Lowell and the Towns of Middlesex County?

Today You Are Being Asked to Join the Red Cross and Pay a Dollar, and You Wish to Know the Facts About What Is Going On. You Have a Right to Know. Then Read This—

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY CHAPTER of the American Red Cross has been steadily at work for more than three years. It began in a small way and with few members. It turned out a small amount of product. It helped the Red Cross do its work with the armies of all nations. It saved many a good man's life in Europe, on the Mexican border and elsewhere.

## Then the United States Entered the War

IMMEDIATELY THE AMERICAN RED CROSS and its chapters all over the country set to work to meet the emergency. More money and more workers were needed and obtained.

IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY a big fund was raised last June. Of that fund the county headquarters in Lowell has received as its share \$38,820. It sent out to the branches in the towns \$9500 as their portion. It retained in Lowell for use here as the central headquarters and for the Lowell workers \$27,320.

NO RENT IS PAID for the use of the entire mill of the Bigelow-Hartford plant, the Bigelow-Hartford Carpet Co. donating the space. And this arrangement is continued by the United States Cartridge Co., the new lessees of the big plant.

NO SALARIES ARE PAID. The only employees under pay are one stenographer and a woman to clean the workrooms. Hundreds of women and men are giving their time and their labor.

\$2000 A YEAR IS ALL that is spent for wages, telephone and telegrams, printing, stationery and postage, membership pins, instruction literature, etc., and this is paid from the ordinary membership receipts. It does not come out of the big fund.

\$24,856 HAS BEEN EXPENDED FOR MATERIALS since July 1. Perhaps \$2000 worth of these are still on hand to be fabricated into finished product.

## The Production Has Tremendously Increased

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER THIS YEAR SHOW WHAT THE RED CROSS IS DOING—

The Year Ending November 1, 1917

November-December, 1917

Surgical Dressings	82,546
Bandages	27,695
Cloth Garments	5,707
Knitted Articles	7,583

Totals 123,531

\*—To December 12.

Surgical Dressings	70,949
Bandages	11,282
Cloth Garments	1,808
Knitted Articles	6,426

Totals 90,465

For the purpose of closer knit organization this chapter has now been reduced in size, eliminating the more distant sections of the county. From now on the south and east ends of the county will not report here. Yet the Lowell totals will grow.

OF THE GREAT FUND RAISED last June about \$6000 is still available for the Red Cross workroom efforts. Some of the money sent to the towns has come back in payment for supplies taken from headquarters.

\$1000 HAS BEEN SET ASIDE to give immediate relief to families and dependents of soldiers and sailors. This is a small sum but it is simply to piece out the Federal and State aid where necessity arises.

BRITISH RELIEF IS ALSO PAID by the American Red Cross for dependents of British soldiers and sailors, but this expenditure is collected back.

THE RED CROSS CANTEN at 119 Merrimack street is financed separately from Red Cross funds. The food is donated and small expense paid by other means than drawing on the Red Cross treasury. It is conducted by a committee from the Red Cross.

THE PEOPLE LIKE TO SEE THEIR DOLLARS COUNT WHEN THEY GIVE THEM. YOURS HAS DONE A PART OF THE WORK HERE. BUT THE WORK HAS NOT ENDED.

## IT MUST CONTINUE UNABATED

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS IS THE CONCENTRATED EFFORT OF A NATION TO HELP ITS ARMED FORCES IN TRAINING AND IN THE FIELD.

DO YOU WANT TO BE A PART OF THE 1918 WORK? DO YOU APPROVE OF THE AMERICAN RED CROSS AND ITS WORK?

## No One Is Too Busy to Join the Red Cross IT COSTS ONE DOLLAR

YOU CAN JOIN TODAY THROUGH YOUR INDUSTRY, YOUR OFFICE, YOUR STORE, YOUR TRADE, YOUR PROFESSION, OR AT YOUR HOME.

Special Membership Booths at War Work Headquarters, 119 Merrimack Street.

If the war should end today would it catch you without having lifted your finger to help the cause? Not if you have been a member of the Red Cross.



## A Christmas Greeting by Telegraph

carries with it a feeling of spontaneous warmth and a sense of personal nearness which no other form of communication conveys.

A 50-word Night Letter affords ample scope for the fullest expression.

The boys in camp, particularly, will welcome a Christmas telegram.

### WESTERN UNION

Telegrams—Day Letters—Night Letters  
Cablegrams—Money Transferred by Wire

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH CO.

## Dr. McKnight The One-Price DENTIST

POSITIVELY NO RAISING OF PRICES

The low prices that dentists often offer are simply "leaders." It is anticipated that you can be coaxed to pay more. Not so here, however. The prices advertised below are the highest prices asked or accepted. Come here with that understood.

FULL SET TEETH Best Set Teeth \$5.00 7.50 RED RUBBER None Better Made Elsewhere. No Matter What You Pay. NO FIT—NO PAY

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\$4.00

AN UNPARALLELED OFFER—Wear one of my Sets of Teeth for ten days, and if at the end of that time you are not satisfied with them, return them to me and I will REFUND YOUR MONEY IN FULL.

175 CENTRAL STREET, BRADLEY BLDG.  
OPPOSITE APPLETON NATIONAL BANK TEL. 4020  
Hours—9 A. M. to 8 P. M. Open until 9 P. M. Saturdays.  
FRENCH SPOKEN

BROKEN PLATES REPAIRED IN THREE HOURS  
CONSULTATION AND EXAMINATION FREE.



## 5000 FROM FORT SLOCUM TO BRING CREWS INTO SENT TO AYER MILITARY SERVICE

grave danger can be averted only by making officers and men subject to military discipline.

supplies, but that all others would remain their merchant crews.

Major J. M. Wainwright, speaking for Eugene W. Wilson, the American Legion spokesman, would not go to that city tomorrow for three reasons. The first was that it would seriously interfere with their training schedule.

the second time the Fairbanks club transported them and advised that they would not be fair to go from other localities to allow the Boston men to go home on election day.

Note:—Below is what the press

**B. F. KEITH'S THEATRE**  
A Scotch Highlanders which holds novelty and which the better known concomitants will be featured at the B. F. Keith theatre, this week. Tom Keith has secured the rights to the official title of the act, and in it there will appear four men and three women. The kilts and the plaid will be worn by the men, and the kilts will be worn by the women. With the

resistible one of the heather land, although several new things will be brought forward, notably the songs of the allied nations, which will be used as a finale. This is said to be remarkably well done, and it is sure to make the same crew in a very short period, so that the department has been placed at the mercy of its employees."

"Cranberries," a comedy with a real love motif, and which was written by

Edward S. Ruskay, will be the informant on this very good bill. Mr. Ruskay is credited with having put together one of the very best sketches of the year, "The Meanest Man in the World." Right after that had scored a hit, along he came with "Circus." This was a new one in a very happy vein indeed as a playwright. He has been fortunate in getting a cast of ade-

For a comedy knockout let us commend you to Eddie Dowling, the international comedian, who not only portrays types which are known on the continent, but who has put forward

these types in the very climes where they are best known. His Italian is a fine piece of work, as are his London

Angeli, Aldo and Fuller have brought together a little bit of everything that the world of life has to offer up at the present time. Comedy is featured in it, although there is a strikingly patriotic finale. One of the leading characters

is that of the Civil war veteran, who does not believe in slackers, and who makes himself thoroughly well understood on that subject. William and Ada White will contribute a song and dance, or two. They are lively performers, who may be depended upon to give a good show. This will produce an attitude of mind which Secretary Baker has called "The Invisible Armor," he said.

The First Trinitarian honor roll is as follows:

get a lot of fun out of their work, and who invariably please their audience. The 'Trennell' trio are circus performers.

ers who will give "Bits from Circusdom," an act of thrills and comedy and music.

The picture feature of the week is no less a star film than "The Cinderella Man," with Mac Marsh in the leading part. 'Phone 28.

**OPERA HOUSE**

"Playthings," a terrible indictment of parents who allow their daughters to grow up in ignorance, by Sidney Toler is the feature of the week's production by the New Emerson Players at the Opera House.

The daring and gripping story about which the author has woven four interesting acts, concerns a girl's revolt against circumstances and her struggles for justice against overwhelming odds.

Lieut. Arthur H. Cashin.  
Herbert E. Dumesnil.  
Corp. Wallace Duncan.  
Eugene Dornley.  
William Percley.  
Wesley Goodwin.  
Walter J. Gunston.  
Frank Hart.  
Chester B-Hill.  
George K. Hill.  
William Maloney.  
George Mitchell.  
Bracket Parsons.  
Hoyden Taylor.  
Herbert Taylor.  
Sergt. Charles E. Thompson.  
Capt. William I. Wiggins.  
Mrs. William I. Wiggins.  
Claude Ruiter.

JULIUS C. ZAEDER, WELL KNOWN  
BLK, DIED IN WORCESTER  
HOSPITAL

WORCESTER, Dec. 17.—Julius C. Zaeder, aged 52, one of the most pr

Excellent advantage is offered to the public, and all will be glad to be allowed to score bigger hits than on any former occasion while the supporting cast will be of the highest quality.

This afternoon and tonight orders for any \$25 suit to be had at J. L. Chalifoux's store, will be given to the proprietor of the store of your choice. Remember these offers are for both afternoon and night and genuine. All persons holding reserved seats at the Lyceum Theatre, and who are here will be your day. If not in the afternoon, then try at night. Two suits will be given away. Make your reservations early.

Benjamin and Ellen (Karel) Zeaeder, who were with his parents when he was six months old.

He was a charter member and past master of the Worcester Lodge of Elks, in which he was known as the father of the Christmas giving to widows.

**THE STRAND**

June Elvidge, the handsome and accomplished screen star who appeared in person at The Strand a short time

ago, will be presented for the first term as head of Worcester lodge. He three days of the week in the World erected the Wapiti clubhouse at Lake film corporation's latest release. "The Outagamion for the Elks.

Tenth Case." This announcement will, no doubt, create no end of favorable comment among the players. It is also probable that the crowded houses should be the order of things both afternoon and night. The first presentation is this afternoon at eight o'clock and Wednesday night. At this time point to record-breaking attendance at all presentations.

"The Tenth Case," a World Film corporation production by William A. Brady, director general, in which Miss Elvidge is to appear, is a most striking, unusual, wholly interesting drama of modern life. The star has the role of Claudia Payton, which demands a characterization of force and power in every scene. Her splendid advancement which she is seen to accomplish through her own efforts and energy, is a study of particular excellence, em-

He was also a member of the Masonic fraternity, reaching the 33d degree; was past president of the Edinburg district club; a member of the local county Fish and Game association. He is survived by a wife and daughter and two brothers. The funeral will be Wednesday.

**THE ELKS' CHRISTMAS CHARITY FUND**

Lowell lodge of Elks will hold a smoke and social for the benefit of the fund tomorrow evening. All members and friends tomorrow.

bracing a number of film favorites who have appeared in other World-Pictures with much success. Some of the features in which the popular screen actors have appeared are "A Social Deal," "The Social Leper," "The Family Honor," "The Pace Myster-

Among the entertainers will be Elks' Christmas charity fund.

The Tenth Case she brings to the surface with more force and power than any other, and takes as its theme a silent drama. All of her charming personality is also reflected in her performance of the play. The picture, like her best in her latest release, "Remember, this photo-play is for the benefit of the blind," is a masterpiece, beginning with madness on Monday. Another feature in the opening program will be the play, "The

week's program  
sponsored by William Farnum in "The Heart  
of a Lion." Mr. Farnum is recognized  
Scott, P.E.R., Frank Malorey, Robert  
H. Dawson, James J. Boland, Joseph

work. In this latest production he

finds excellent chance to show his wonderful dramatic power. The story of the play is a gripping tense series of scenes and situations that follow one another in quick succession. Woven into the piece is sufficient humor to properly balance the more serious scenes.

Miss Dora Greene will be the week's attraction in Strand. Her play is

Scott, J. Lawyer Ford, James H. Walker, Fred Austin, George Conway, James I. Kenney, James E. Donnelly, Charles J. Moras and Edward F. Saunders.

**PRESIDENT WILSON TO MAKE NO FURTHER MOVE IN R. R. SITUATION**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—It was indicated today that President Wilson would make no further move in the railroad situation until congress reconvenes after the Christmas holidays.







# TERMS OF THE RUSSO-GERMAN ARMISTICE

PETROGRAD, Dec. 16.—The terms of the Russo-German armistice according to a statement issued here, obligate no transference of troops until Jan. 14 (January 1 Russian); no increase of troops on the fronts or on the islands in the Moon Sound or a regrouping of forces. "Intercourse between the troops may be allowed from sunrise to sunset. Groups are limited to 25 persons at a time who may exchange articles of prime necessity. The text of the agreement says: "Between the representatives of the higher command of Russia on the one hand and of Bulgaria, Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey on the other hand, for the purpose of achieving a lasting and honorable peace between both parties, the following armistice is concluded: "The armistice shall begin on Dec. 4, (Dec. 17) at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and continue until Jan. 1, (Jan. 14). The contracting parties have the right to break the armistice by giving seven days' notice. Unless notice is given the armistice automatically continues. "The armistice embraces the land and aerial forces on the front from the Baltic to the Black sea and also the

Russo-Turkish front in Asia Minor. During the armistice the parties concerned obligate themselves not to increase the number of troops on the above fronts or on the islands in Moon Sound or to make a regrouping of forces. "Neither side is to make operative any transfers of units from the Baltic-Black sea front until Jan. 1, (Jan. 14) excepting those begun before the agreement is signed. They obligate themselves not to concentrate troops on ports of the Black sea east of 15 degrees of longitude east of Greenwich. "The line of demarcation on the European front is the first line of defense. The space between will be neutral. The navigable rivers will be neutral, their navigation being forbidden except for necessary purposes of commercial transport or on sections where the positions are at great distance. On the Russo-Turkish front the line of demarcation will be arranged at the mutual consent of the chief commanders. "The armistice on the naval fronts embraces all of the Black sea and the Baltic sea east of the meridian 15 degrees of Greenwich. The demarcation line fixed for the Black sea is from the lighthouse of Slinka to the estuary of the Danube to Cape Gagos. In the Baltic the line runs from the lighthouse of western coast of Wornis Island to the island of Bagsher to Khegarne. Russian war vessels must not cross south of this line and the other parties must not go north. The Russian government guarantees that the entente war vessels shall obey the rules of this provision and that Russian warships shall not be allowed to sail among the Aland islands. "The agreement continues: "Intercourse will be allowed from sunrise to sunset, no more than 25 persons participating at a time. The participants may exchange papers, magazines, unsealed mail and also may carry on trade in the exchange of articles of prime necessity. "The question of release of troops freed from service who are beyond the line of demarcation will be solved during the peace negotiations. This applies also to Polish troops. "Immediately after the signing of the armistice, peace negotiations shall begin. It is provided measures shall be taken for the exchange of civil prisoners, invalids, women and children under 14 years, and for the amelioration of conditions of war prisoners. "The treaty concludes with these words: "With the purpose of facilitating the conduct of peace negotiations and the speedy healing of the wounds caused by the war the contracting parties take measures for re-establishment of cultural and economic relations among the signatories. Within such limits as the armistice permits, postal relations, the mailing of books and papers will be permitted, the details to be worked out by a mixed commission, representing all the interested parties at Petrograd."

Expected Permanent Peace  
LONDON, Dec. 17.—The predominant fact as regards the Russian situation at this moment is the signing of an armistice, which is announced officially at the capitals of all the countries concerned. According to despatches from Petrograd, everyone there believes that a permanent peace between Russia and the central powers will result. Corroborating this belief is the negligible undertaking of Germany and her allies not to withdraw troops from the eastern front. A despatch to The Times says large masses of Germans already have been moved and that probably the German command has transferred all its purposes to employ elsewhere so that the Germans are not likely to be endangered seriously. "The reported suicide during the armistice negotiations at Brest-Litovsk of the Russian general Skolonsky, apparently has made a considerable impression at Petrograd, although the Russian national commissaries are silent in regard to it. A despatch to The Post says Gen. Skolonsky was responsible for

the armistice conditions, including the evacuation of Moon Sound, which offended the Germans at the first meeting of the negotiators, and rendered nugatory the efforts of the first mission. Gen. Skolonsky returned most unwillingly for the second meeting, under imperative orders of his superiors. The correspondent seeks to show there is nothing to fear that he committed suicide, which is most improbable, and insinuates that he was murdered. There is no confirmation of last week's official Bolshevik announcement regarding the arrest of Gen. Skolonsky. The latest returns from the elections to the constituent assembly as supplied by the Bolsheviks shows that of 237 delegates 55 are Bolsheviks, 116 social revolutionists, 16 constitutional democrats and the others scattering. About 80 delegates are not in Petrograd, but no further attempt has been made to hold a meeting. The Ukrainian delegates are expected to arrive in Petrograd today. Referring to the numerical preponderance of social revolutionists among the delegates, the Petrograd correspondent of The Daily News says the error of the matter is what proportion of the delegates belong to the right and what to the left. The latter being mere loafs in the hands of the Bolsheviks. The real meaning of the figures cannot be ascertained at present because the names of those elected are not available. The official denials of the story that former Emperor Nicholas had escaped and the telegram from Tobolsk received by the railwaymen's union, saying the report was false, held the field for the present against various rumors regarding the Romanoffs, who are becoming objects of increasing interest to the population of Petrograd. A strike at Moscow began yesterday.

## PEACE NEGOTIATIONS Continued

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## Allies May Recognize Bolsheviks

London newspapers forecast that the allies will give recognition to the Bolsheviks "in order to prevent Russia from passing under the political and economic heel of Germany."

## England to Release Tschitcherine

Great Britain is said to have decided to release Tschitcherine, a Russian political prisoner, and the Bolsheviks are now permitting British subjects to leave Russia. To the American delegate at the Paris conference is said to belong the credit for the tempering of the allied attitude toward the Bolsheviks.

## Labor Strikes in Russia

Labor strikes appear to be the great obstacle before the Bolsheviks. At present, especially in the Petrograd district, the railway and fuel situations are serious. The counter-revolution is still more or less of a menace to Bolshevik authority, and the constituent assembly is another knotty problem. The confiscation of all property, lands and money of the Russian church has been decreed by the Bolsheviks, who also have abolished all privileges of the clergy.

## Austro-German Attack in Italy

Except on the short stretch between the Brenta and the Piave rivers there has been no marked infantry activity on the front from the North sea to the Adriatic. Although their losses have been heavy, the Austro-Germans continue their attack and have succeeded in breaking the Italian northern defense. In hard fighting just east of the Brenta the enemy has gained Col Caprille, at the head of the San Lorenzo valley, after two days and has been successful. The invaders have not yet reached the valley, further efforts here and elsewhere having been checked by the Italians.

## British Repulse Raids

British troops on the Cambrai front have repulsed raids by infantry and bombing parties on the southern end of the new salient. South of Lens the British improved their position. The artillery action has been more marked south of the Scarpe, in the Arras area, and north of Langemarck, in Flanders. In Champagne, north of the Chemin des Dames, in south of St. Quentin, German efforts have been checked by the French while intermittent artillery activity has continued over a greater part of the front from St. Quentin to Switzerland.

## British Report on Air Operations

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The British war office statement on aerial operations, issued last midnight reads: "Although the weather was fine Saturday, a very high wind and ground mist interfered with reconnaissance and artillery work. Many rounds were fired during the day into enemy trenches and bombs were dropped on numerous targets, including two positions of long-range guns southwest of

Little. Later we again bombed these positions. "During several nights three hostile machines were driven down out of control. None of ours are missing."

## Italian War Report

ROME, Dec. 16.—There was little infantry fighting on the front between the Brenta and Piave Saturday and one hostile attack was checked, the official statement from the war office says. There was much artillery fighting on the northern front. The statement reads: "Between the Brenta and the Piave the struggle, which diminished in intensity Friday evening did not increase yesterday. About 3 o'clock in the afternoon in the Col Dola-Bretia region hostile infantry attempted to advance against our line, but was driven back completely by a prompt counter attack. The artillery activity generally maintained the character of a harassing fire. Our batteries repeatedly and for a long time put down an intense barrage on the positions on Col Caprille, which had been withdrawn from the day before."

"In the Giudicaria valley, on the night of the 14-15 we repulsed enemy detachments, which, after long artillery preparation, attempted to carry one of our observation posts on Monte Melmo. At the delta of the Piave a storming platoon, well supported by an armed motor boat, destroyed one of the enemy's small bridges and patrols consisting of sailors attacked some houses occupied by the enemy and captured numbers of prisoners. Along the remainder of the front the fighting was normal. "On the night of the 14-15th, movement of troops within the enemy's lines of communication was bombarded effectively by our airplanes. An hostile airplane was brought down by British airmen near Ormelie and one of our airmen accounted for another machine west of the Seen valley."

## Turks Occupy Islands

LONDON, Dec. 17, British Admiralty per Wireless Press.—The occupation by the Turks of two islands off the coast of Asia Minor is announced in official statement issued yesterday at Constantinople.

## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

The December meeting of the county commissioners was held at the court house this morning and business of a merely routine nature was transacted. A number of residents of Bitter were present and petitioned the commissioners to relocate a road which the state is now working on near Carlsbad street and which runs to the old bridge in the town known as Sprague's bridge. Another petition asked that a winding road in the center of the town be straightened out.

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## BROADWAY CLUB TO PLAY SANTA CLAUS

At a largely attended meeting of the Broadway Social and Athletic Club, held at the rooms yesterday afternoon, it was voted that the club play Santa Claus to a number of children in the neighborhood of the club rooms. Pres. Timothy P. O'Sullivan presided.

The club has voted to have a Christmas tree on the holiday, and to entertain the youngsters from 1 to 3 o'clock. Each kiddie present will get a real introduction to St. Nicholas himself, who has promised to be present, and there will be gifts and candy for all.

The meeting of the club yesterday was of especial interest as the date on which the charter for new members closed. The club has nearly a score of men now serving the United States. Recently it was voted to "exempt" the

fees of those men. To make up for the "exempted" fees, new members were permitted to come in and fill the places of those now in the army or navy. For this purpose the charter was temporarily thrown open, and as a result 20 new members were initiated yesterday.

## SNOW STORM WILL COST CITY \$8000

Commissioner Morse says that last week's storm will cost the city about \$8000. At present there are 21 double teams hauling the snow from the streets, while 21 single teams are being used in carting sand to the various districts of the city. Two road scrapers, one owned by the city and the other hired from H. W. Tarbell, are being used to scrape the snow from the car tracks, while 192 men are shoveling. Mr. Morse says that the \$8,000 expended for the removal of snow will greatly reduce his maintenance fund.

## Christmas Vacation

The Christmas vacation, affecting all the public schools, 27, evening, and vocational, will begin Monday, Dec. 24, and will extend until Wednesday, Jan. 2. Christmas exercises will be held in the schools Friday, Dec. 21, which, by the way, will be the shortest day of the year.

## Halifax Relief Fund

The following additional subscriptions towards the Massachusetts Halifax Relief fund were announced by Mayor O'Donnell this morning:

Frank S. Hunt ..... \$10.00

Mary Murray ..... 1.00

S. J. Garnett ..... 1.00

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From the Norway fisheries,  
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